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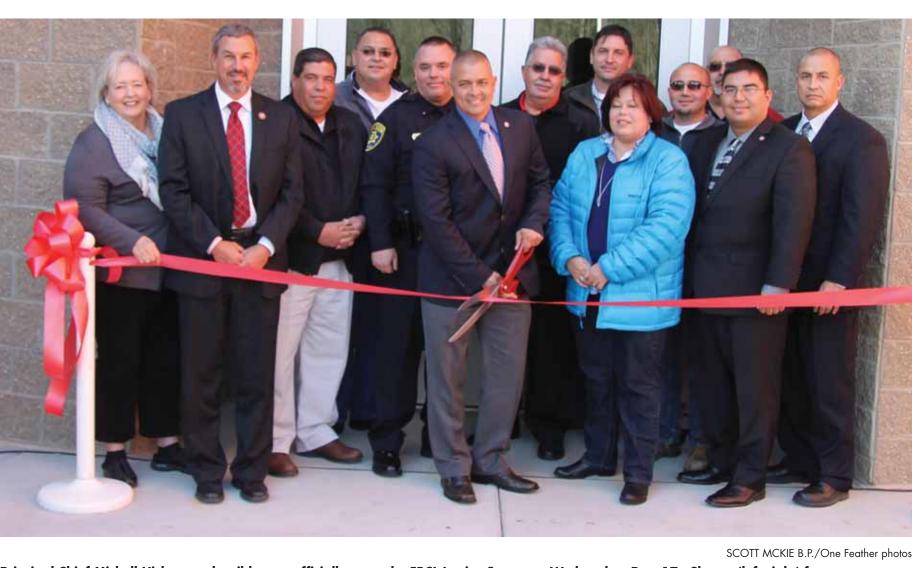
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Principal Chief Michell Hicks cuts the ribbon to officially open the EBCI Justice Center on Wednesday, Dec. 17. Shown (left-right) front row – Cherokee Chief Justice Bill Boyum, Chief Hicks, Chairwoman Terri Henry, Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha and Pepper Taylor; middle row – Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, Vice Chairman Bill Taylor, Cherokee Chief of Police Ben Reed, Vice Chief Larry Blythe and Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe; back row – Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe, Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose and Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell.

## Ribbon cutting held for EBCI Justice Center

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ribbon was cut on Wednesday, Dec. 17 by tribal officials to open a building and complete a project that was eight years

in the making. The new 76,000 square feet EBCI Justice Center was officially opened in front of a crowd of over 200 people.

Prior to giving the opening prayer for the event, Vice Chief Larry Blythe gave some remarks on the idea of justice, "Christian justice has no place for vengeance, self-righteousness or getting even. That's hard to do. Instead, justice requires us to seek the good of others, even those who have wronged us."

The Justice Center has been built on a 14acre tract off of Oliver Smith Road and will house the Cherokee Tribal Court and offices, a 96-bed jail, and the Cherokee Police Department. The total project cost \$26 million with \$18 million coming from a Department of Justice grant and the rest coming from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks noted, "This is not just a beautiful building. This is not just a jail. This is not just a courtroom or a place where the police can do their work. This is part of an overall concept that we, as a Tribe, have for rehabilitation."

He said the new facility will add much to the rehabilitation of inmates. "We control the mental health aspect. We control the alcohol abuse aspect – all of those other things that are harming the children of this community and creating havoc for the future of who we are as a people and who we are as a region." Chief Hicks concluded by saying, "Our job is to try to change it for the future generations."

Tribal Council Chairperson Terri Henry said, "I want to thank everyone who had a hand in designing, building, or conceiving this entire concept."

She praised the coordination between the Cherokee Tribal Court and the Cherokee Indian Police Department and said that coordination will only improve with the new facility. "I want to thank our justice providers. Thank





Principal Chief Michell Hicks (left) and Vice Chief Larry Blythe both gave remarks at the event.

you very much for all of the work that you all do."

Jason Lambert, EBCI
Commerce Division director, commented, "We
wanted to look at a comprehensive approach to justice. We wanted to make
sure that we weren't just
putting people in jail or
having people come
through our courtroom,
but that we were re-introducing them and helping

them to become productive members of our Tribe and our community."

He thanked the three project managers who have worked on the project including Brandon Stephens, Travis Smith and current project manager Damon Lambert, EBCI economic and community development manager, who noted, "I was hired by the Tribe in 2006, and one of my first

tasks was to do a master plan for a justice center. I think this is a great day. It's been a long time coming."

Cherokee Chief of Police Ben Reed commented, "It's a huge challenge, but I'm confident that we have the facility and the staff to take this on for our community. The jail affords us opportunities that we never had before."

He said they plan to run a "firm, strict" jail, but they also want to utilize all resources to offer people the help the support they need to become productive citizens. "We want to do our part to reduce recidivism. We want people to come out of jail and be productive."

Cherokee Chief Justice Bill Boyum said the project has been a challenge, but everyone persevered and kept working hard. "It's been a long journey. We've done many things to help protect the citizens of the Qualla Boundary."

He spoke on some of the recent milestones for the Cherokee Tribal Court including integration of the Tribal Law and Order Act and the upcoming integration of the VAWA Reauthorization Act.

All of the construction and site work for the Justice Center was done by Flintco.



# Catherine Blythe Sanders named Frell Owl Award winner

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nown as a tough teacher and, more importantly, a person who had great positive influence over generations of Cherokee children, this year's recipient of the Frell Owl Award spent a lifetime instructing others on school subjects and life.

Catherine Blythe
Sanders, 97, was recognized with the award at the 28th Annual Frell Owl
Award Presentation held
Wednesday, Dec. 11 at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Due to her advanced age and the fact that she resides in south Georgia, she was unable to attend the event, but two of her children,
Wren Peterson and Butch Sanders, accepted on her

"This year's nominees all embody the core values that this award represents," said Cory Blankenship, Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors president. In addition to Sanders, the nominees for this year's award included: Kathy "Rock" Burgess, Mary Herr, Larry Maney, Wilbur Paul.

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Sanders was the first American Indian teacher on the Cherokee Indian



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Wren Peterson (2nd from right) and Butch Sanders (right), two of the children of Catherine Blythe Sanders, accept the 2014 Frell Owl Award on behalf of their mother, from Skooter McCoy (left), Cherokee Boys Club executive director, and Cory Blankenship, Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors president, during a ceremony on Wednesday, Dec. 17.

Reservation and served as a teacher for over 30 years. Blankenship commented,

"Former students said, 'she's the meanest teacher I've ever had, but the one that taught me the most book learning, moral values and respect for others."

Peterson said her mother is doing well. "I told her last night that she was won this award and she recognized the fact that it was quite prestigious, and she was very happy to have been able to be the winner."

"Many of you had her as fifth graders," said Peterson. "In fact, I don't know of anybody on the reservation who was in the fifth grade who didn't have her because she taught in Snowbird and Big Cove and she even taught my brother and sister and they had to call her Ms. Sanders at school."

Peterson said her mother "is very proud of being known as the meanest teacher".

"I think she is very deserving of this, and I'm happy to accept the award on her behalf."

Principal Chief Michell

Hicks, "Congratulations to all of those who were nominated for this award here today. It is one of the most prestigious awards offered here in Cherokee. I have known Ms. Sanders for a long time, and I've always enjoyed our conversations."

He went on to say,
"There were times when
she fussed at me a bit, but it

was always for the right reasons, and I think the teacher did come out in her."

"I don't think there is any one career that has more impact to our lives than a teacher. They are there for 12 or more years affecting us in some way. I have high respect for all teachers, and I have high respect for Ms. Sanders."

Dr. Scott Penland,
Cherokee Central Schools
superintendent, commented, "I didn't know Ms.
Sanders, but I can promise
you I'd like to have about
50 of her today in our
school system. That's the
kind of teacher I like. I like
them all, but I really want
the ones that are tough."

In addition to the Frell Owl presentation, Wednesday's event featured a recognition of the CBC Board of Directors and the **CBC Advisory Committee** by Skooter McCoy, Cherokee Boys Club executive director. The 2014-16 Board includes: Cory Blankenship, president; Albert Arch, vice president; Tiffani Reed, secretary; Beth Grant, assistant secretary; Robert Lambert; Carmaleta Monteith; Jack Davis; Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell; and Jason McMillan, student representative.

McCoy noted, "We are very proud of everyone here today and are thankful for what you've done for the community."

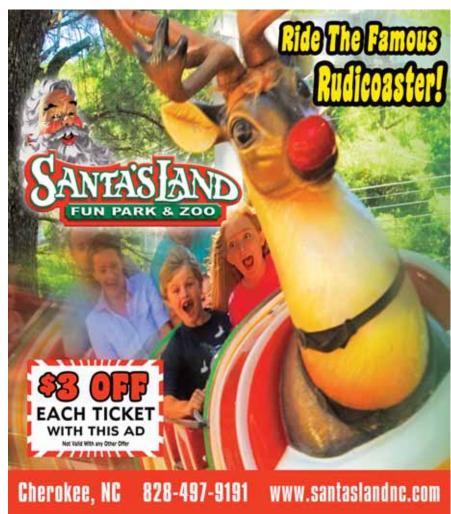
Past recipients of the Frell Owl Award include: Chief John A. Crowe, Stella Kanott, The Crowe Family, Ray Kinsland, Pearl and John Reagan, Betty Crisp, Jerri Reagan Kinsland, Mary Chiltoskey, Dora Reed, Marie Junaluska, Sharon and David Crowe, Ernestine Walkingstick. Jody Adams, Gary Maney, Mary Sneed, Mary Mantooth, David McCoy, Glenda Crowe, Denise Ballard, David McOueen. Skooter McCoy, Johnson "Booger" Arch, Kathy Wolfe, Carmaleta Monteith, Roy Lambert, Sandy Owle and Lana Lambert.



Photo courtesy of Sanders family

Catherine Blythe Sanders, 2014 Frell Owl Award recipient





## Meet the Remember the Removal riders

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he Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has selected seven people to represent the Tribe on the 2015 Remember the Removal Ride which will retrace the Trail of Tears. The 950-mile ride will start in New Echota, Ga. on June 7 and riders are scheduled to pull into Tahlequah, Okla. on June 25.

Meet the EBCI riders

below: • Kelly Murphy, 25, Painttown Community, teacher at New Kituwah Academy. "I decided to take on the Remember the Removal ride because I wanted to do something big for myself and to see the Trail of Tears through my own eyes. I want to be able to dig deep for my self-motivation. I get motivation from everyone around me, but I am my own worst critic. I want to be able to say, 'Yes! I did it on my

#### • Darius Thompson,

own!"

18, Big Y Community, student at Southwestern Community College. "The reason I decided to do the bike ride is because I would be honoring my Choctaw side and my Cherokee side. I hope to gain leadership from this as well as gain more knowledge about the



The EBCI representatives on the 2015 Remember the Removal Ride are shown (left-right): Kelly Murphy, Jake Stephens, Corlee Thomas-Hill, Kevin Tafoya, Darius Thompson, Savannah Hicks and Matt Martens.

Trail of Tears."

#### · Savannah Hicks,

21, Painttown Community, employee at Tsali Care Center. "I wanted to do the Remember the Removal bike ride to learn more about the Trail of Tears and about my family history. I hope to gain a better understanding of what our people went through and to be able to take my experiences and what I learn and to share with others."

• Matt Martens, 29. Yellowhill Community, employee at Cherokee Indian Hospital Dental. "'Choosing a goal and sticking to it changes everything.' With this quote, I want to show my family, my son and everyone else that anything is possible when you set a goal and are determined."

• Jake Stephens, 36, Birdtown Community, BIA survey technician. "One reason I wanted to do this ride is to inspire my kids to always go after the things they want in life. Every morning we have two choices – to continue to sleep with our dreams or wake up and chase them.

I've wanted to do this ride for the past couple of years, but have never applied. So, this year I decided to wake up and chase one of mine."

• **Kevin Tafova**, 36. Wolfetown Community, employee at Cherokee Transit. "I decided to take on the Remember the Removal Ride to honor my family, both in Cherokee and in Oklahoma. I hope to gain a soul-enlightening experience that will let me better understand what my ancestors lived through. I want to inspire my family and children to hold dear

their ancestry and traditions."

#### Corlee Thomas-

Hill, 24, Yellowhill Community. "History and cycling are two of my favorite hobbies so it is great to have a way to combine them in such a unique way. I graduated from UNCA last December after studying history, and I feel like even though I learned about the Trail of Tears. I think this will offer a much broader understanding of what happened."

## Council holds work session on internet access

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Tribal Council work session was held on Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2014 to discuss information technology and the future of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in the digital universe. Chairwoman Terri Henry opened the session announcing that there are five resolutions pending before the Tribe for consideration.

The purpose of the meeting was to gain a better understanding of the issues involved. Chairwoman Henry listed the following pieces of legislation: Ordinance 277 to rescind Cherokee Broadband Enterprise and make it a tribal program; Resolution 299 to create an EBCI information technology strategic working group; Ordinance 276 to amend Section 16C-10 of Cherokee Code to establish technology enhancement fund with provisions governing its use; a resolution in November to make IT resources available to the Big Y community; and Resolution 435 to create a Chief Information or Technology Officer and bring/create a standalone technology department/division for the tribe.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks commented that there are multiple systems in play that must be analyzed as to how they might be integrated and what the vision is for the structure and future of information technology resources for the entire Eastern Band community. He sees three categories of Information Technology-the government aspect, commercial side and infrastructure.

"We need to get a narrower

focus on where we want go," stated Chief Hicks. "I think we need a strategy moving forth. I think today starts the conversation. This is one of many opportunities for us to push this tribe ahead as it relates to technology."

Chairwoman Henry concurred with Chief Hicks on a need for moving the effort in one direction. She then sought public input, specifically from those with expertise in information technology.

Lloyd Arneach, Tribal IT network administrator, read a letter from the Department, "We, the Tribal IT Department, would respectfully request that the Tribal Council withdraw resolutions pertaining to the IT working group, the \$10 million technology enhancement fund and Broadband as a utility. We would also request that the executive order creating an IT steering committee be rescinded. This is in favor of promoting the resolution to create the CIO position that will then take on the responsibility of developing a plan to address these previous resolutions."

Arneach acknowledged Chief Hicks' comment with regard to focus and believed that creating the Chief Information Officer, or CIO, would provide a position to focus the efforts and have a responsible party to strategize the roll out of information technology as it relates to the tribe. Arneach expressed that the CIO would be in direct contact with the Executive Office.

Chief Hicks asked for clarification as to how this proposed position would relate to the existing partnership that the Tribe has with Balsam West, a wireless and information technology provider.

Arneach suggested that the CIO might sit on the Balsam West board. Several members of Tribal IT department stepped to the podium to express support for the proposal read by Arneach.

Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke inquired what the cost of adding a CIO would be. Chief Hicks stated approximately \$200,000. Bob Long, from Tribal IT Department, stated that the vision for the CIO position was to recommend moving the current director of IT into the position to immediately begin strategic planning. According to Long, this would minimize the initial cost of implementing the CIO while quickly getting a person who understands the IT landscape in a position to create strategy and focus.

Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe, who proposed the legislation to create CIO position, concurred that the intent of the resolution was not to bring additional or outside persons in and that he feels that we already have someone that is capable of filling that role.

Jim Ingram, Trificient Technologies - contractor with the tribe to set up and operate Cherokee Broadband, recommended the implementation of a CIO. He indicated that a single point of contact and decision maker would help facilitate tactics, ensuring that the Tribe stays in compliance with regulations. Ingram indicated that there have been challenges in making Cherokee Broadband a self-sustaining entity. He also said that efforts to gain profitability include diversifying the products that Cherokee Broadband offers.

Chief Hicks offered that the

Tribe needs further study on the structure with regards to CIO. The information technology piece of government and community is a critical part of many of the programs and enterprise future and growth. He stated that the five outstanding resolutions on the table represent parts of an overall strategy, but do not address the real need, which is an overall strategy for information technology.

Kim Peone, EBCI Deputy of Finance, gave a report on the financial position of current information technology efforts. She addressed the proposal to make Cherokee Broadband into a utility. She quoted that Broadband has had a net loss of \$1.7 million. In FY2014 alone, the entity had a net loss of \$410,000.

According to Peone, the Governmental Financial Officers Association supports CFO over governmental IT department for building business cases for technology. Peone stated that Cherokee Broadband is a "wholesaler" for Balsam West and that the Tribe's relationship with Balsam West is a partnership.

In reference to the IT Department, the Tribe has provided the infrastructure, Peone said. "Right now, all we are looking at are efficiencies and effectiveness and doing it with a cost savings. That's the bottom line."

She stated that she hopes that the broadband ordinance is not rescinded. She feels that in order to serve the community and make information technology a high priority for the Tribe, it will need to be

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#### BASKETBALL

## Lady Braves shut down Swain

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he Lady Braves (8-0) played stifling defense in their eight win of the season. Cherokee won 59-15 over the Swain Lady Maroon Devils at home on Tuesday, Dec.

"I think, in the first half, we played about as good defensively as we could have played," said Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach. "That made it easy for us on offense as we got a bunch of steals. They had 36 turnovers in the first half so we did what we needed to do."

In all. Cherokee forced 43 turnovers in the game including nine steals by Kendall Toineeta, Lady Braves senior point guard, who leads all of western North Carolina in the cate-

Cherokee squelched

Swain's offense from the get-go and held the Lady Maroon Devils scoreless in the first period which ended 23-0. In fact, Swain did not score their first bucket until the 2:28 mark of the second period. Cherokee took a commanding 41-4 lead into the locker room for halftime.

Due to the huge lead, the clock was run continuously during the entire second half, and Cherokee was able to get a lot of bench play in this contest.

Swain actually outscored Cherokee 8-7 in the third period, but the Lady Braves outscored them 11-3 in the final period to take the big 59-15 win.

Toineeta led Cherokee with 22 points followed by LeLe Lossiah with 10 and Timiyah Brown with 8. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Macie Welch 3, Kaycee Lossiah 2, Bree Stamper 7, Shelby Wolfe 2, Brianna Jumper 2 and Tiffani Riggen 3.

Swain scorers included: Adrianna Kaylor 2, Karie Jones 2, Gabby Lane 2, Gabby Jones 4, Lydia Sale 3 and Taylor Shuler 2.



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Cherokee's Kendall Toineeta (#3), Lady Braves senior point guard, plays tough defense against Swain's Taylor Medlin (#23) during a home game on Tuesday, Dec. 23. Toineeta led the Lady Braves with 22 points and nine steals as Cherokee shut down the Lady Maroon Devils 59-15. At one point in the second period, Cherokee led 39-



Timiyah Brown, Lady Braves freshman power forward, lines up for a free throw during Tuesday's game. She scored eight points on the night.



#### **BASKETBALL**

## Braves top Swain by 40

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he Cherokee Braves (8-0) kept their unbeaten season intact with a large 78-38 win over Swain at home on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

"I thought we played a really good second half; I thought we played a really poor first half," said Willis Tullos, Braves head coach. "The first half was the worst half of basketball we've played all year. We came off a big win last Saturday, a really emotional game, and sometimes that happens."

Eli Littlejohn, Braves center, played a pivotal role in the middle for Cherokee during this game. Coach Tullos commented on his play, "We didn't feel they had anyone that could stop him, and we wanted to go to him early and try to get some points. He did a good job, and the kids did a good job of getting him the ball."

The game started tightly with both teams having troubles shooting early. After a few minutes in, it was only 3-2 in favor of the Braves. Midway through the first period, Cherokee managed a 9-4 lead following a traditional three-point play by Little-

john who was fouled as he made the shot and then, subsequently, made his foul shot.

The Braves led 17-9 after a modest first period by both teams. Cherokee scored the first five points of the second period to lead 22-9. Swain opened it up some and outscored the Braves 12-6 in the next few minutes as Cherokee led 28-21 with two minutes left in the half. Cherokee outscored them 4-1 in the waning minutes of the half to take a 10 point (33-22) lead into the locker room following a monstrous block by Cherokee's Logan Teesateskie to end the half.

Cherokee began to pull away in the third period and outscored Swain 8-3 in the first few minutes. They kept up the pressure and led 54-31 at the end of the third.

The Braves came out in the fourth period running on all cylinders and scored the first 16 points. They led 70-31 midway through the period, and in fact, Swain didn't score a point in the final period until the 4:18 mark which allowed Cherokee to take the big 40 point win.

Individual stats were not available for this game.



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Cherokee's Eli Littlejohn (#35) shoots over Swain's Cody Cooper (#30) during a home game on Tuesday, Dec. 23. Cherokee won handily 78-38 to stay unbeaten on the season.

### APPALACHIAN WAVES PROJECT

#### **Enhancing Science Learning**

In this age of ongoing discovery, scientifically knowledgeable students who can meet the world's environmental, political, and economic challenges are more important than ever. The teaching of science offers students the ability to access a wealth of knowledge and information, contributing to an overall understanding of how and why things work like they do.

Children are able to use this knowledge to understand new concepts, make well-informed decisions and pursue new interests. Science also helps to provide tactile or visible proof of many facts we read about in books or see on the television, helping to increase understanding and retain information. The Cherokee Preservation Foundation (CPF) supports ongoing workforce development by providing funds to the Western Region Education Service Alliance (WRESA). These resources will help advance new ways to enhance science learning to help close achievement gaps in science for students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

The Appalachian Waves Project, a summer training model for regional teachers in eight county school systems, including Cherokee Central schools, was established to effectively use state-of-the-art STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) technology as lesson tools to improve student awareness and increase learning.

"The three-day teacher workshop held this summer was centered around sound, light and water waves and was a positive way for teachers to explore the nitty-gritty, hands-on approaches of science," said Dr. Emily Darling, Grant Coordinator and Science Educator. "As the teachers became the students, they were able to learn the language of science and advance their knowledge to better teach their students."





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#### Avery Mintz's jersey retired

Avery Mintz (center), shown with her parents Chris and Keila Mintz, holds her #22 Cherokee Lady Braves jersey that was retired during halftime of the home game against Swain on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

Avery, who now plays for the Lenoir-Rhyne University Bears, led Cherokee to four straight Sectional Championships and was named the 2013 Big Smoky Mountain Conference Player of the Year.



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#### **Ugly Christmas Sweaters**

Melissa Smith (right), Cherokee Booster Club, presents a check to Cambry Stamper who won first place in the "Ugly Christmas Sweater" contest held during halftime of the varsity Cherokee boys basketball game at home against Swain on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

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#### **BASKETBALL**

## Braves win hard-fought game over Cavs

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The Cherokee Braves (9-0) won a tough home game against the East Rutherford Cavaliers on Friday, Dec. 26. Led by Dustin Johnson, Braves senior point guard, who had 28 points on the night, Cherokee stayed unbeaten on the season with a 66-52 victory.

"We played pretty well," said Willis Tullos, Braves head coach. "This was a good basketball team. They're really quick and really athletic. That's the reason we played them when we got the chance. It was competition that we needed before we go into our conference play. I was proud with the effort, and I was really proud with the way that we executed especially in the second half."

The first half was tight

with both teams playing tough defense. The score went back-and-forth for the first 16 minutes. The game started with both teams trading baskets. Then, Johnson hit a threepointer to put the Braves up 7-4 midway through the first period. East Rutherford came back with two straight buckets to lead 8-7. Then, Kennan Panther, who ended the game with eight points, and Eli Littlejohn, who ended with

12 points, both drove the lane and drew fouls on successive plays. Panther and Littlejohn both hit their free throws and Cherokee led 11-8 with three minutes left in the period.

Johnson was fouled as he made a short jumper and made the subsequent free throw to complete the traditional three-point play to give the Braves a 14-8 lead at the 1:28 mark in the first. Panther followed that up with a short jump shot to make it 16-8 with just over a minute left in the period.

Both teams would score a few more and Cherokee led 18-12 at the end of the first.

The defenses held strong in the second period and East Rutherford actually outscored Cherokee 13-12 in the second period as the Braves took a 30-25 lead into the locker room.

The Cavaliers came out for the third period on fire and ready to play. Trey Dawkins, East Rutherford center, scored the first six points of the period and East Rutherford took a 31-30 lead early in the third.

But then, a short shot by Johnson and three-point shots by Johnson and Logan Teesateskie, who had seven points in the game, gave Cherokee a 38-33 lead. The rest of the period went back-and-forth and



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Dustin Johnson (#22), Braves senior point guard, shoots over East Rutherford's Jarvis Hutchins (#15) in a specially-scheduled home game on Friday, Dec. 26. Johnson led Cherokee with 28 points as the Braves won a hard-fought game 66-52.

the Braves managed to take a 44-40 lead into the fourth period.

Coming out of the gates in the final period, Littlejohn hit two shots in the paint to give Cherokee a 48-40 lead which they extended to 51-43 three minutes into the fourth.

The Braves continued to hit shots and free throws and hold the Cavaliers down as they would take the 66-52 victory.

Other Braves scorers included: Brandt Sutton 3, Holden Straughan 2, and

J.J. Benjamin 6.

East Rutherford scorers included: Calvin Camp 5, Jawan Blanton 6, Jarvis Hutchins 3, Tyson Blanton 3, Trey Dawkins 16, Tyrese Carson 12 and Gelan Bristol 4.

## Lady Braves tame the Panthers in overtime

#### **AMBLE SMOKER**

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he Lady Braves (9-0) faced and conquered their biggest foe to date in a home game that ended in overtime against the Franklin Panthers on Tuesday, Dec. 30. Kendall Toineeta, Lady Braves senior point guard, scored 29 points and LeLe Lossiah, senior forward, scored 12 points, helped put away the defending 2-A western sectional champion Lady Panthers 72-69 after a tremendous performance from both teams.

"That was a tough, greedy game," said Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach. "I told them before the game Franklin was going to be tough. We battled through being down early and we came back in the second half. We were prepared, we just came out a little scared, I guess, to start the game. Once we settled down, I thought we played pretty well."

It was a seesaw battle through most of the first quarter with Cherokee taking an 18-17 lead to the bench. However, the prowess of the Lady Panthers put them ahead midway through the second quarter as they began to pull away with a 33-27 lead going into halftime.



AMBLE SMOKER/One Feather

Kendall Toineeta (#3), Lady Braves senior point guard, takes the ball up court during a home game against Franklin on Dec. 30. Toineeta, who scored 29 points, led Cherokee to a 72-69 overtime victory.

The Lady Braves remained resilient and fought back to outscore the Lady Panthers 23-18 in the third for a score of 51-50 going into the fourth quarter. Much like most of the game, the two teams went back and forth when time expired with both teams

tied at 64.

Both teams scored quickly within the first two minutes of overtime, but Cherokee slowed the pace of the game by freezing the ball with a 67-66 lead. Franklin was able to score three more points, but Cherokee extended their

lead to 72-69 where the game ended.

After the game, when asked what changes were made, Coach Mintz explained, "We changed our defense a little bit and that helped out a bunch. They finally started missing some shots because they

were shooting the lights out in the first half. It ended up paying off toward the end. (Vanessa) Agrusa is a great player and she had a great game tonight."

Stats for the game were not submitted by press time.

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#### **BASKETBALL**

## Braves resilient in win over Panthers

#### **AMBLE SMOKER**

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he Cherokee Braves (10-0) faced tremendous adversity early in the game but remained steadfast to win a home contest against the Franklin Panthers on Tuesday, Dec. 30. Braves senior, Eli Littlejohn, who led the Braves with 19 points, battled inside the paint to help secure a 67-56 victory for Cherokee.

"We played terrible," said Willis Tullos, Braves head coach. "This is by far, the worst game we've played. I guess if you can play as bad as we played and still win, that's a good thing. We didn't execute, we didn't shoot, we didn't play defense, and we just were never in the ball game. No rhythm at all. I was really disappointed in how we executed."

The Braves fell behind early as the Panthers took control of the game, leading 19-12 at the end of the first quarter. A well-disciplined Panthers offensive unit poured in 15 more points during the second quarter by weaving through the Braves full court press. Offensively, Cherokee moved the ball well but was unable to capitalize on field goals, shots beyond the arc, and rebounding opportunities.



AMBLE SMOKER/One Feather

Cherokee's Brandt Sutton (#3) goes for a shot against Franklin during a home game on Dec. 30. He scored 13 points on the night.

With an upset brewing, the Panthers took a 34-22 lead into the locker room at halftime.

"I told them if we didn't out score them, we were going to lose," said Coach Tullos regarding the first half performance. "It was real simple, we had to make some shots and we had to pick up our defensive pressure and intensity. If we didn't do those two things, we were going to lose. We had to focus on

those two things."

The halftime speech struck a chord as the Braves came out on fire in the second half, racking up six unanswered points to open the third frame. The Braves methodically chipped away at the Panthers lead from shooters Eli Littlejohn (19), J.J. Benjamin (17) and Brandt Sutton (13) to shave the point deficient to 7 going into the final quarter.

The Braves opened the final quarter with momentum shifted towards the Braves bench as both the defense and offense started firing on all cylinders. Once again, the Braves began to rally and opened the final quarter with 7 unanswered points when Littlejohn tied the game at the 6:32 mark. From there, the Braves took a lead they would never relinquish.

Dustin Johnson, who finished the game with 6 steals, and Brandt Sutton stifled the Panthers offense with a full court press, effectively eliminating most scoring opportunities. The once potent Franklin offense was held to 7 points in the final eight minutes of the contest as the Braves poured in 25 points to take a 67-56 victory.

Braves scorers included: Eli Littlejohn 19, J.J. Benjamin 17, Brandt Sutton 13, Dustin Johnson 10, Logan Teesateskie 4, Kennan Panther 4.

Information on Franklin's scorers was not provided by press time. ▶ WEEK OF JAN. 8-14, 2015 cherokee one feather/na tsalagi soquo ugidahli

#### **BASKETBALL**

## Lady Braves vault into first place in conference

#### SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he Lady Braves (10-0) stayed undefeated and vaulted into first place in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference with a 50-47 win over the Hayesville Lady Yellow Jackets at home on Friday, Jan. 2. Kendall Toineeta, Cherokee senior point guard, led the Lady Braves with 17 points.

"It was a battle the whole game," said Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, after the game. "It was a tough game between the top two teams in the conference. We didn't shoot the ball really well, but we played hard and our defense held them down early. It was just a good game."

The Lady Yellow Jackets came into the game at 3-0 in the conference and tied for first – a spot now held solely by the Lady Braves.

The game started with both teams going back and forth – a theme that would play out most of the game. LeLe Lossiah hit two three-point shots early to give Cherokee a 9-7 lead midway through the first period. She ended the game with eight points.

The back-and-forth would continue throughout the

first, and the Lady Braves



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Kendall Toineeta (#3), Lady Braves senior point guard, goes for a shot above Hayesville's Amanda Thompson during a home game on Friday, Jan. 2. Toineeta led Cherokee with 17 points as the Lady Braves cemented the top spot in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference with a 50-47 win.

led 19-17 at the end of the period.

Hayesville got the first bucket of the second period to tie the game at 17, and then Cherokee's Bree Stamper, junior guard, hit two three-point shots in a row to give Cherokee a 23-17 lead at the 4:11 mark in the second.

The Lady Yellow Jack-

ets came back and hit a few field goals to end the period, and Cherokee took a 25-21 lead in to the locker room.

Tiffani Riggins, Lady Braves senior guard, started the third period out nicely for Cherokee as she hit a short jumper followed by a steal and lay-up to put the Lady Braves ahead 3123 early in the period.

Cherokee led by as many as 11 points at one time in the third period and would end up taking a nine-point 42-33 lead into the final eight minutes.

Hayesville came back in the early minutes of the fourth period and got to within four points at 46-42 at the 4:22 mark left in the



Tiffani Riggins (#24),
Lady Braves senior
guard, shots around
Hayesville's Amanda
Thompson in the first half
of Friday's home game.
Riggins had eight points
on the night.

game. It went back and forth for the rest of the game, but Hayesville never got closer than three points down as Cherokee would take the 50-47 win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Bree Stamper 6, Shelby Wolfe 2, Reagan Barnard 2, Brionna Jumper 6, Tiffani Riggins 8 and Timayah Brown 1.

Hayesville scorers included: Brice Graves 6, Stephanie Patton 15, Savannah Anderson 6, Amanda Thompson 7, Emma Cox 2, Rebakkah Hatherly 4 and Kimonta Lloyd 7. cherokee one feather/na tsalagi soquo ugidahli

#### **BASKETBALL**

## Braves sting Jackets, take first in conference

#### SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he Cherokee Braves (11-0) defeated the Hayesville Yellow Jackets 65-53 in a home game on Friday, Jan. 2 to take sole position of first place in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference. Dustin Johnson, Braves senior point guard, led the way for Cherokee with 30 points

"That was a good one," said Willis Tullos, Braves head coach, after the game. "It was one that we really needed badly. They're always really, really good, and to get a double-digit win here is saying a lot for our kids. I thought we played with a lot of poise and a lot of intensity. I was really proud of them."

The game started out slower than expected with both teams missing early shots. The score was tied 4-4 midway through the first period. Eli Littlejohn, Braves center, hit several shots early, but he also drew three fouls in the first few minutes and sat until the third period. He finished the game with eight points.

J.J. Benjamin, Braves forward, scored seven points in the first period to help put the Braves in front 20-14 at the end of the first. He ended with 11



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo

Dustin Johnson (center), Braves senior point guard, threads the needle as he goes for a shot between Hayesville's Hunter Reaux (#15) and Zach Cottrell (#34) during a home game on Friday, Jan. 2. Johnson led Cherokee with 30 points as the Braves stayed undefeated and took control of first place in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference with a 65-53 win.

points on the night.

Hayesville came back and drew to within two at 25-23 at the 4:33 mark in the second period. Then, Brandt Sutton, Braves forward, hit a three-point shot and a subsequent lay-up to help extend the Braves lead and Cherokee was able to take a 34-27 lead into the locker room.

Both teams hit some field goals early in the third period and Cherokee led 40-36 a few minute in. Then, Johnson hit two three-point shots in a row to give the Braves a boost and a 10 point 46-36 lead. The period ended with Cherokee on top 48-38.

The closest Hayesville got in the fourth period was

six points, 55-49, at the 3:23 mark. At that point, Cherokee took a time out. Coming off of the time out, Johnson took the inbounds pass, dribbled down the court and threw a pass to an open Benjamin in the paint for an easy layup to give Cherokee an eightpoint lead.

Hayesville tried to

come back, but the Braves extended their lead and took the 65-53 victory.

Other Braves scorers included: Brandt Sutton 14 and Kennan Panther 2.

Hayesville scorers included: Josh Cottrell 5, Vance Rhyne 10, Braxton Cox 6, Grant Arencieia 9, Zach Cottrell 23

#### **BASKETBALL**

#### Toineeta named Player of the Week



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee's Kendall Toineeta (#3), shown here driving to the hoop during a home game against Andrews on Dec. 9, has been named the Citizen-Times/WNC Player of the Week for Dec. 8-12.

#### 2015 NASA Basketball Tournament

Jan. 15-17 in Cherokee. \$250 per team. Deadline to enter is Thursday, Jan. 8 at 12pm. Hosted and sponsored by the Cherokee Life Recreation and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Categories/Divisions: Men's 18+over, Women's 18+over, Men's Legends (40+) and Women's Legends (40+). Info: Cherokee Life Recreation 554-6891, 554-6920,

497-4728, or 497-3345

#### **SCOREBOARD**

#### Area Prep Basketball

Boys

Monday, Dec. 15 Mitchell 83 Rosman 73

Tuesday, Dec. 16 Rabun Gap (Ga.) 66 Hayesville 42 Highlands 57 Tamassee-Salem (SC)

41

Wednesday, Dec. 17 Tuscola 75 Rosman 73

Saturday, Dec. 20

Cherokee 60 June Buchanan (Ky.) 52

Monday, Dec. 22

Highlands 65 Murphy 56

Tuesday, Dec. 23 Cherokee 78 Swain 38 Madison 72 Rosman 58 Robbinsville 82 Franklin 58

Thursday, Dec. 26

Cherokee 66 East Rutherford 52

Monday, Dec. 29

Robbinsville 69 Tuscola 50

Hayesville 61 Hokes Bluff (Ala.) 43

Tuesday, Dec. 30

Cherokee 67 Franklin 56

Mountain Heritage 43 Robbinsville

39

Friday, Jan. 2

Cherokee 65 Hayesville 53

Robbinsville 88 Nantahala 32

Murphy 51 Andrews 47 Hiwassee Dam 53 Blue Ridge 44

Saturday, Jan. 3

Johnson Co. (Ga.) 59 Hayesville 49

Robbinsville 57 Hiwassee Dam 45

Swain 59 Murphy 44

#### **Girls**

Monday, Dec. 15

Walhalla (SC) 51 Highlands 47

Tuesday, Dec. 16

Rabun Gap (Ga.) 49 Hayesville 37

Hiwassee Dam 64 Tellico Plains

(Tenn.) 41

Highlands 61 Tamassee-Salem (SC)

49

Wednesday, Dec. 17

Rosman 60 Tuscola 48

Saturday, Dec. 20

Cherokee 58 Knoxville Catholic

(Tenn.) 36

Hiwassee Dam 35 Shiloh (Ga.) 29

Franklin 59 Swain 28

Monday, Dec. 22

Murphy 46 Highlands 42

Hiwassee Dam 49 Fellowship Chris-

tian (Ga.) 38

Tuesday, Dec. 23

Cherokee 59 Swain 15

Robbinsville 53 Franklin 48

Madison 64 Rosman 41

Monday, Dec. 29

Hayesville 45 Union Co. (Ga.) 43

Tuesday, Dec. 30

Cherokee 72 Franklin 69 (OT)

Rosman 60 South Lake 58

Wednesday, Dec. 31

Hickory Grove 39 Rosman 37

Friday, Jan. 2

Cherokee 50 Hayesville 47

Andrews 42 Murphy 37

Hiwassee Dam 71 Blue Ridge 17

Rosman 59 Swain 48

Saturday, Jan. 3

Hiwassee Dam 61 Robbinsville 46

Murphy 62 Swain 33

Hayesville 52 Lakeview Aca. (Ga.) 47

## Cherokee Life Recreation youth basketball schedule

Saturday, Jan. 10 at Birdtown Gym

9am – Tom W. vs. Stephan W.

10am – JoJo vs. Chelsea/Max

11am – Brittany vs. Leigh Ann

12pm – Travis vs. Sam/Jamie

1pm – Consie vs. Dusti

2pm – Tony vs. T.T.

3pm – Lori vs. Brittany

4pm – Tuff vs. JoJo

5pm – Miranda vs. Consie

6pm – Steven vs. Derrick

Tuesday, Jan. 13 at Birdtown Gym

6pm – Brandon/Duck vs. JoJo

7pm – Mike vs. Leigh Ann

8pm – Brittany vs. Jim

Tuesday, Jan. 15 at Painttown Gym

6pm – Bubba vs. Tony

7pm – T.T. vs. Tuff

In next week's One Feather:

Full coverage of varsity basketball:

Cherokee at Murphy from Tuesday, Jan. 6 and Cherokee vs. Robbinsville from Jan. 9

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#### **WRESTLING**

#### Results from the War Eagle Duals

East Henderson, Saturday, Dec. 13

#### Polk County 48 Cherokee 21

106 – Triston Watkins (Polk) win by forfeit

113 – double forfeit

120 – Seth Sneed (Cher) win by forfeit

126 – Dillon Knighton (Polk) over Jesse Queen (Cher), fall

132 – Christian Davis (Polk) over Scarlett Guy (Cher), fall

138 – double forfeit

145 – Anthony Toineeta (Cher)

over Chase Emory (Polk), decision

152 – Jaron Bradley (Cher) over

Anthony Marino (Polk), fall

160 – Ethan Swearengin (Cher)

over Xavier Cardwell (Polk), fall

170 – Braden Miller (Polk) win by forfeit

182 – Dillion Elliot (Polk) win by

forfeit

195 – Jerry Cox (Polk) over Andrew Griffin (Cher), fall

220 – Donovan Lloyd (Polk) win by

forfeit

285 – Devin Panchyshyn (Polk) over Dakota Ward (Cher), fall

#### East Henderson 54 Cherokee 18

106 – Jesus Martinez (EH) win by forfeit

113 - double forfeit

120 – Angelo Ferrarini (EH) over

Seth Sneed (Cher), fall

forfeit

126 – Jesse Queen (Cher) win by

132 – Martin Guerrero (EH) over Scarlett Guy (Cher), fall

138 – Cole Ours (EH) win by forfeit

145 – Anthony Toineeta (Cher) over Ian Stepp (EH), fall

152 – Jaron Bradley (Cher) over Garrett Ammerman (EH), fall

160 – Ethan Willis (EH) over Xan Sadongei (Cher), fall

170 – Kyle Smith (EH) over Ethan Swearengin (Cher), fall

182 – double forfeit

195 – Chase Blanken (EH) win by forfeit

220 – Patrick Masousek (EH) win by forfeit

285 – Marshall Frank (EH) over Dakota Ward (Cher), fall

#### Landrum (SC) 42 Cherokee 36

106 – Pearlie Helle (Lan) win by forfeit

113 – double forfeit

120 – Seth Sneed (Cher) win by forfeit

126 – Jesse Queen (Cher) over Kennon McAbee (Lan), fall

132 – Wren Pierce (Cher) win by forfeit

138 – Joey Chacon (Lan) over Scarlett Guy (Cher), fall

145 – Anthony Toineeta (Cher) over Dustin Babb (Lan), fall

152 – Jaron Bradley (Cher) over Clay Prass (Lan), fall

160 – Ethan Swearengin (Cher) win by forfeit

170 – Jacob Ridings (Lan) win by forfeit

182 – Paul Zimmerman (Lan) win by forfeit

190 – John Zimmerman (Lan) win by forfeit

220 – Garrison Horton (Lan) win by forfeit

285 – Dakota Ward (Cher) over Sam Vinesett (Lan), fall

> Results courtesy of TrackWrestling.com





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#### **COMMUNITY**

#### **Obituaries**

#### Maggie Wachacha



of Old Santeetlah Road in Robbinsville, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015. She was born in Jackson County on May 10, 1984 and was the daughter of Iggie Wachacha and JC and Jeannie Wachacha, all of Cherokee.

She was named in

Maggie Wachacha, 30,

honor of her great grandmother, the late Maggie
Axe Wachacha. She was
preceded in death by her
maternal grandparents,
Pete and Dorothy Johnson;
her paternal grandparents,
Lucinda Axe Wachacha
Reed; her uncle, Bobby
Johnson, and her aunt and
uncle, Emily Wachacha
Reed and Jr. Reed.

Maggie was a 2003 graduate of Cherokee High School. She loved to play horseshoes and was an avid fan of Duke Basketball. Maggie had many, many friends.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her uncles and their wives,
Tony and Kathy Johnson of

Robbinsville, and Jack and Gail Johnson of Cherokee; her favorite aunt, Gaynelle Bradley of Cherokee; her uncles Abe "Goat" Wachacha and Mike Wachacha, both of Robbinsville: and her Aunt Ella Bird of Robbinsville. Funeral services were held on Monday, Jan. 5 at Zion Hill Baptist Church. The Reverends Bo Parris and Red Bradley officiated. Burial followed at the Wachacha Family Cemetery.

Townson-Smith Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

#### Cynthia Lynn Wachacha

Cynthia Lynn
Wachacha, 33, of the
Snowbird Community
passed away on Monday,
Dec. 15, 2014 at Mission
Hospital following an extended illness.

Cynthia is the daughter of Herman Wachacha, Sr. of Robbinsville and Berdina Wolfe of Cherokee.

Cynthia is also survived by her sons, Kristian Martinez and Jose L. Martinez; brother, Herman Wachacha Jr. of Robbinsville sister, Megan L. Wachacha of Marion; necies, Maritsa S. Wachacha, Jordan L. Wolfe and Tara L. Wolfe, all of Cherokee; and nephew, Elijah L. Wachacha. Cynthia also leaves behind many aunts and uncles.

Cynthia is preceded in death by paternal grandparents, Henry Wachacha and Dinah Waldroup of Robbinsville; maternal grandparents, Eli and Irene Wolfe of Cherokee; brother, Travis Wolfe as well as aunts and uncles.

A visitation was held

on Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the Zion Hill Baptist Church (Snowbird Community), and the funeral service was held on Thursday, Dec. 18. Burial followed at the Ledford Cemetery. Pall Bearers were Joseph Wolfe, DJ Grindstaff, Ronnie Teesateskie, Patrick Teesateskie, Bernardo Cazares, German Garcia. Brett Crowe and Melvin Lambert. Pastor Noah Crowe and Pastor Michael Rattler officated.

Long House Funeral Home assisted in the final arrangements.

#### **Allen Ray Butler**

Allen Ray Butler, 64, of the Wolfetown Community passed away Friday, Dec. 26, 2014 at his residence. Born in Washington Parish, La., he was the son of the late Dorothy Butler. He was preceded in death by his twin sister Alice Faye Butler.

He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Becky Butler; sisters and brother, Edna, Dorothy, Patricia, and Billy; two special loved ones, Mystical Parker and Eunice Washington; and many nieces and nephews and in-laws; and many great friends that loved him.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, Dec. 30

in the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home.

#### Gary L. Sequoyah Sr.

Gary L. Sequoyah Sr., 55, of Cherokee, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 14, 2014 at Mission Hospital following a period of declining health. Gary is the son of James "Blue-jay" Sequoyah, Sr. and the late Alice Maney.

Gary is survived by his

wife of 21 years Brenda Sequoyah and Gary's pride and joy, son, TsaLiDi Sequoyah; sisters, Vicky McCoy (husband Dave), Chris (husband Jim); brothers, James Sequoyah (wife Donna), Gene Sequoyah; several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles as well as the Sharon Proctor family and the Dallas family of Ball Holler, Okla.

Gary is preceded in death by nephew Brent Sequoyah and step-daughter Melissa Welch. Gary will be missed by all of his friends.

Burial took place on Dec. 16, 2014 on Keener Rd. in the Birdtown Community by his step-daughter Melissa.

Long House Funeral Home assisted in the final arrangements.

#### Marshall E. Saine

Marshall E. Saine, 39, of Cherokee, passed away just before midnight on Friday, Dec. 19, 2014 following a hospitalization at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Marshall, known to many as Gene, was the son of Wayford Saine and Marcella (Wilnoty) Saine of Cherokee. He was a laborer who made his way doing work of all kinds including stone masonry.

He is survived by his children, daughter, Angelica Chenise Saine of Cherokee, and son, Adam Eugene Saine of Tahlequah, Okla.; sister, Lori Rubio with husband Mangus; aunts, Faralee Rich, Mary Wilnoty and Faye Catolster; uncle, Joseph Wilnoty with significant other Tammy Cagle; niece and nephews, Taiya, Jullian and Maddox Rubio, all of Cherokee, and special friend, Shannon Littlejohn of Cherokee.

Marshall was preceded in death by a grandmother, Gracia Wilnoty and a uncle, Dale Owle.

The family received friends in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home on Sunday, Dec. 21 and returned to the chapel for a funeral service on Monday, Dec. 22. The Rev. Percy Cunningham oversaw the service and Joseph Wilnoty, Cory Wilnoty, Marshall Bradley, Eddie Morrow, Jaime Panther, Jarrett Wilnoty and Richard Bradley provided the pall bearer duties. Marshall was buried near his grandmother Gracia Wilnoty in the Lucy B. Long Cemetery along Lucy Long Rd.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the final arrangements. cherokee one feather/na tsalagi soquo ugidahli WEEK OF JAN. 8-14, 2015

#### Osceola "Ossie" Smith

Osceola "Ossie" Smith, 81, of Cherokee, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2014 following a hospitalization at Cherokee Hospital.

She was the daughter

of the late Charles and

Elma (Arch) Smith. Ossie was a member of the Yellowhill Baptist Church. In her youthful years, she worked at the newly opened "Unto these Hills" drama and using her pottery and beadwork skills as she worked with the Cherokees making crafts for retail. She continued her arts and crafts by working with the Qualla Arts and Crafts

the Qualla Arts and Crafts as well as working at the Oconaluftee Indian Village as a villager, sculpturer and bead worker. Ossie was a well rounded, grounded woman who "knew the answer if you didn't". She was a person who helped others as made clear by her working also as a CNA at the Cherokee Indian Hospi-

tal herself. Ossie is survived by her daughter Vanessa (Lisa) Huskey with husband Richard; granddaughter, Kelly Smith with husband Travis; grandson, Delano Huskey; two great grandchildren, Rayce and Koen Smith; sisters, Wanda Bradley, Nancy Smith with husband Kenneth, Connie Cabe, Joan Henry with husband Ralph, Linda Raby with husband J.D. and Rebecca Bridges with hus-

band Taylor; several nieces

and nephews.

The family received friends Yellowhill Baptist Church on Friday, Dec. 26 with a funeral service following conducted by Pastor Foreman Bradley. An immediate burial followed in Bethel Cemetery with Bob Bradley, Dean Bradley, James Raby, Tony Cabe, Terrance Cabe and Tommy Cabe acting as pall bearers.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in

#### Robert J. Crowers Jr.

the final arrangements.

Robert J. Crowers, Jr., age 72, of Franklin, passed away on Monday, Dec. 1, 2014.

Bob was born in Philadelphia, Penn. to Robert Sr. and Florence Salerno Crowers who preceded him in death. As an enrolled member of the EBCI, he enjoyed long summers spent with his Aunt Lucinda and Uncle Moses Welch of the Big Cove community and later the home of his parents. After an early retirement from a major utility company, Bob followed his passion for cooking and graduated with an associates' degree from The Restaurant School, where he met his future wife. Together, they moved to Cherokee and honed their culinary skills by opening a restaurant at The Charleston Inn in Bryson City, followed by a café and bakery in Dillsboro before moving to Franklin and constructing

the Town Hill Bake Shoppe which they operated for five years before their final retirement. In addition to cooking, Bob enjoyed a lifetime of hunting, fishing, car racing and the beach.

He is survived by his

wife of 18 years, Joan

Kelly Crowers Guidry

Ghisu Crowers, daughter

(Nate) of Ft. Worth, Texas, step-daughter Cheryl Thacker of Wilmington, DE., step-son George Luciotti of Boothwyn, Penn., sister Cyndi Crowers Boyer (Joel) of Aston, Penn., brother James Crowers (Joyce) of Jacksonville, Fla., two grandchildren, Caden Reece and Lane Alexander Guidry and six step-grandchildren, Joel, Philip and Justin Mastroeni, Maria, Michael and Noella Lu-In addition to his par-

ers and by a brother,
Leonard E. Crowers.
A memorial service
was held on Dec. 6, 2014
in the chapel of BryantGrant Funeral Home in
Franklin with the Rev. Jim
Park officiating. The
Franklin VFW #7339 and
American Legion Post #
108 conducted military

ents, he was preceded in

death by his first wife of 35

years, Judith Hamil Crow-

Graveside services and future interment were held at Edgewood Memorial Park in Glen Mills, Penn.

rites.

Online condolences may be made at bryantgrantfuneralhome.com

#### Rosemary (Walkingstick) Cucumber

stick) Cucumber, 55, of 22 Medicine Woman Rd. in Cherokee passed away on Saturday, Dec. 27 following a brief illness at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. She was the daughter

Rosemary (Walking-

of the late Joe Mike Walkingstick and Rosie Hornbuckle of Cherokee, NC. She was a member of the Wright's Creek Baptist Church and worked at the Cherokees in the past to make her way. Rosemary had an infectious laugh that she shared with everyone she met. She loved her family and friends more than anything especially the babies. She will be missed greatly.

Rosemary leaves be-

Cucumber; daughter, Rosie

hind her husband. Kent

Mae Mejia: brothers, Norman Walkingstick and Calvin "Little Ed" Walkingstick: sisters. Katherine "Punkin" Dimas and Sharon "Yogi" Brown all of Cherokee: mother-in-law. Eleanor C. Bird; sister-inlaws, Carol Wilson and Mildred Cucumber; brother-in-law, Aaron Cucumber; twelve nieces and nephews and thirteen great-nieces and nephews; special great niece and nephew Marcy Swayney and Elliott Brown.

Rosemary was preceded in death by two sons, Steven and Mathew Catolster.

Church on Monday, Dec. 29, 2014 for a visitation. The family returned to receive friends the next morning till the hour of service on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2014. An immediate burial followed the services conducted by Pastor Roland Whittaker. Rosemary was placed by her sons in the Ed Hornbuckle Cemetery near her mother's home. The pall bearers were Adam Brown, Duane Brown, Norman "Gooch" Walkingstick, "Tarzan Hood", "Little" Kallup McCoy, J.R. Hornbuckle, James "J.D." Swayney, Kevin "Dean" Swayney, "Little" Kenny Wilson, Richard "Herbie"

Rosemary was taken to

the Wright's Creek Baptist

arrangements of services.

Home assisted in the

Lossiah and Billy Joe Horn-

Long House Funeral

#### Starlene Elizabeth (Swayney) Balderas

Starlene Elizabeth
(Swayney) Balderas, 42, of
37 River Park Rd., Cullowhee, and a member of
the Eastern Band of the
Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, Dec.
29, 2014 at the Med West
Harris Hospital in Sylva.
Starlene was the

Starlene was the daughter of the late Calvin and Margaret Walkingstick Swayney of Cherokee. She was a homemaker and loving mother.

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She is survived by her children, Trista Hernandez, Edna "Sissy" Balderas and Lucy Balderas, all of Cherokee; two uncles, Billie Joe Swayney and Floyd Swayney; aunt, Joyce Swayney; great-aunt, Inez Swayney; one nephew; three nieces and many cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandpa, Leonard Swayney; brother, Leonard "Spud" Swayney; uncle, Richard Walkingstick.

Starlene had a visitation at the Straight Fork Baptist church from on Tuesday, Dec. 30 followed by a funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at the church as well. The service was conducted by Rev. Charles Ray Ball and an immediate burial took place in the Swayney Family Cemetery along the Big Cove loop. Pall bear-

ers were among the cousins and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted in the final arrangements.

#### **Wayford Eugene Saine**

Wayford Eugene Saine, 68, of 374 Lucy Long Rd. in Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, Jan. 2, 2015 following an extended illness.

Wayford was the son of the late Wayford and Helen (Darnell) Saine of Buncombe County.

He is survived by his daughter, Lori Rubio with husband Mangas; grandchildren, Jullian, Taiya and Maddox Rubio and Angelica Saine, all of Cherokee, and Adam Saine of Tahlequah, Okla.; one sister, Louise Saine; caretaker, Marcella W. Saine, all of Cherokee. He was preceded in death by his son, Marshall Eugene Saine and brother, Fred Albert Saine.

Wayford was laid to rest next to his son Marshall in the Lucy B. Long Cemetery in Cherokee.

#### Christopher Taylor (Skeeter) Sneed

Christophor Taylor (Skeeter) Sneed, 28, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 31, 2014 at the Med West Harris Hospital in Sylva.

Christophor is the son of James "Jimmy" Sneed and step-mother Shannon of Cherokee and mother Cindee Vitto of Wyoming. He made his home in the Whittier community and worked as assistant manager at Pizza Hut. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Christophor is survived by his son, Donavon Sneed of Wyoming; brothers, James Taylor, Justin Sneed, Jacob Sneed and Josiah Sneed, all of Cherokee; sister, Cassandra Vitto of Wyoming; paternal grandparents, grandmother, Gwen and Charles Sanders of Sylva, grandfather, Claude Ray and Mona Sneed of Cherokee; maternal grandparents, grandfather, Don and Laurie Vitto, and grandmother, Jessie Wilson, all of Wyoming; stepgrandparents, Tom and Conchita Kelly of Sylva.

Christopher had a visitation at the Cherokee Baptist Church on Sunday, Jan. 4. A funeral followed the next day with the Rev. Percy Cunningham officiating. An immediate burial followed in the Cam Sneed Cemetery. Pall Bearers were family and friends.

#### INTERNET: Council holds working session, from page 7

tribal capital investment projects.

Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Brandon Jones spoke to the need for the entire community to have the benefit of internet access and be a part of the advances in information technology even if it comes at a cost.

Big Cove Rep. Perry
Shell spoke about ensuring
that tribal entrepreneurs
and students not miss out
on opportunities because
lack of access to network
and technology. Chief
Hicks agreed and added he
felt that the Tribe should do
so in the most cost effective
manner.



Photo courtesy of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian

#### Church remembered by Big Cove resident

Phyllis Sequoyah, Big Cove Community, had this to say about the above historical photo that ran in the Dec. 18, 2014 issue, "My name is Phyllis Sequoyah from Big Cove. I saw that picture of my church in the One Feather. I remember it well. We would walk from the head of Big Witch. We went Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night, and we walked. We didn't have transportation. I remember the name of it. It was Geiger Memorial."

## Miss Cherokee report for December

#### By TAYLOR WILNOTY

MISS CHEROKEE

hiyo nigada! Hello everyone! I hope you all enjoyed your holidays as much as I did! I have been very busy between my duties as Miss Cherokee and spending time with my family for the holidays. It has been such an amazing month once again representing the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

My first event of December was the Gatlinburg Christmas Parade where myself and the other royalty got to ride on a beautiful float covered in Christmas lights! I cannot begin to explain how amazing that night was; the atmosphere in Gatlinburg was unbelievable! I felt so welcomed by everyone I saw, and waved at. I am beyond blessed, and overwhelmed with joy as to what I had experienced. I want to thank all of my royalty board, and anyone else who helped with the float. It was beautiful! I also want to thank my loving parents for all of your hard work on the float. Again, I had such an amazing time and would like to thank the

My next parade was just the day after Gatlinburg, and that was our very own Cherokee Christ-

amazing hospitality!

city of Gatlinburg for their



Photo courtesy of Taylor Wilnoty

Miss Cherokee Taylor Wilnoty visits with Santa Claus at the Tsali Care Christmas Party.

mas Parade! Although it was very cold, I still had a lot of fun! The next parade I was in was the Waynesville Christmas parade; it was pretty huge and also televised! I had so much fun at all of these parades, and was honored to represent the EBCI for the holidays! I was unable to attend the Robbinsville Christmas parade, but I send my holiday wishes and congratulations to the

Robbinsville Black Knights on their victory at state!

My last event was the Tsali Care Christmas party, where to my excitement I got to see Santa Claus! My family and I prepared Christmas gift bags for all of the residents and got to spend some time with them all and wish them a Merry Christmas! It is always such an amazing feeling when I go to visit with the residents of Tsali Care, but

to spend it with them during the holidays was unexplainable. I would like to thank all of my royalty board members who helped to donate items to put into the bags. I would also like to thank my mom, dad, and Dawson for going with me to the Christmas Party and helping handout bags. It was an amazing feeling to have all of my family there with me.

It was another amaz-

ing month as Miss Cherokee, and I can't wait for next month, and the New Year! Thank you to everyone that made all of these events happen, and for all those who invited me to them. If you would like for me to attend an event please contact Elnora Thompson with your request!

Sgi, Thank you!

## WCU faculty assist with award-winning Cherokee language documentary

ULLOWHEE -Two Western Carolina University faculty members assisted on a recently released award-winning film that chronicles efforts to revitalize the Cherokee language in Western North Carolina.

Hartwell Francis, director of WCU's Cherokee language program, and Tom Belt, coordinator of the program and a Cherokee Nation citizen, were interviewed and credited as associate producers for "First Language – The Race to Save Cherokee."

"Being part of this film project, for me, was about being part of the continuing effort to re-establish, to re-affirm and to revitalize our language," said Belt, whose first language is Cherokee. Only about 200 of the 13,000 members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians still speak Cherokee fluently, and most are over the age of 55, he

The project began in fall 2012 after Walt Wolfram, the William C. Friday Distinguished Professor of Sociolinguistics and director of the North Carolina Language and Life Project at N.C. State University, and Wolfram's students visited WNC. Discussions with Francis and Belt



#### Tom Belt, WCU's Cherokee language program coordinator and a Cherokee Nation citizen

turned to the challenges of revitalizing the Cherokee language, how WCU supports language revitalization efforts and the work of the Atse Kituwah Cherokee Language Immersion School, where children speak and are taught in the Cherokee language.

Francis and Belt asked if it would be possible for the NCLLP, which produces a range of media projects centered on language and culture, to create a short video about the immersion school. Wolfram and NCLLP filmmakers Neal Hutcheson and Danica Cullinan agreed to help, and the first trip to film took place the following spring.

"What is happening with the Cherokee lan-



WCU photo

#### Hartwell Francis, director of WCU's Cherokee language program

guage is also the story of what is happening to American Indian languages, which are dying at astronomical rates." said Wolfram, the film's executive producer. "The radical decline in the number of speakers means language death is inevitable unless something is done, and thanks to the Cherokee community and leaders. the Cherokee Preservation Foundation and the program at Western Carolina, something is being done that is worthy of documentation. My feeling was we needed to tell the story, and we did not have time to wait."

They embarked on the project with a goal of making a video that might be 10 minutes or less, but the project "grew its own life"

and developed into a nearly hour-long documentary, said Wolfram. Hutcheson said as soon as the film team entered the school. which served its first students in 2004, they were captivated by its charge and its work.

"Watching the students being instructed in and speaking in the Cherokee language, which is a beautiful language to hear even if you don't understand what is being said, was quite startling and wonderful to us. It just hit us immediately – the significance of the subject," said Hutcheson.

"It's not only about Cherokee," he said. "It's about what language means to people, and it means more than communicating. Cultural nuances that have to do with your entire disposition toward the world, the natural environment and other people are part of language, and when you lose a language, you lose a dimension. You lose a window into our common humanity, and it doesn't matter what language you are talking about."

Hutcheson said he first became interested in capturing some of the story of the Cherokee language a decade ago while working

on the documentary "Voices of North Carolina." What helped make the documentary "First Language" possible years later, Hutcheson said, was the hospitality of the immersion school, tribal members and leaders and the Snowbird Cherokee community as well as assistance from WCU faculty and staff including Francis, Belt and Roseanna Belt, director of the WCU Cherokee Center.

The filmmakers made a half-dozen trips to WNC for filming, and returned to share versions of the documentary during editing with members of the community. In one scene of the film, a parent of a child in the immersion school tearfully shares the story of how her child responded to a tribal elder who spoke Cherokee in a store - and the elder's delighted surprise to hear a child speaking the language.

"Saving the language was extremely emotional for a lot of people to talk about, and it became emotional for us as well," said Hutcheson.

Cullinan said the filmmakers developed an appreciation or "the quality of dedication it takes to persist at something 'against the odds" and of how multidimensional the task of language revitalization is.

"We labored through many revisions in an attempt to present the situation in a way that is faithful to how the community sees it and with the hope that, in addition to being a document of the community's work, the film could be used as a tool in their work," she said.

Francis said the film has been well-received – inspiring a standing ovation, moving people to tears and sparking discussion – at screenings held at institutions including one at WCU. Cullinan said one viewer shared that the film

gave him inspiration to continue language revitalization work in spite of discouraging circumstances. Another person said the film helped him appreciate the Cherokee language, which he is studying, on a new level, she said. The documentary was bestowed the Best Public Service Film award at the 2014 American Indian Film Festival in San Francisco.

Francis said capturing how daunting the task of language revitalization is in the documentary was important, and one person told him after seeing the film that it seemed to be a nearly hopeless project.

"We are interested in letting people know what a struggle it is and how much help we need from institutions like WCU and people in the community to keep attention focused on language learning and Cherokee speaking," he said. "People are generally not aware that there are still Cherokee language speakers and that it could be a thriving contemporary language if we open up enough space for it."

About 75 students take Cherokee language classes at WCU, and the university offers Cherokee language courses online and via distance education technology to other institutions in the University of North Carolina system. The system requires member institutions to have a Cherokee language plan in place, and students from UNC-Wilmington, UNC-Chapel Hill and UNC-Pembroke have taken Cherokee language courses offered through WCU, he said.

Francis said he also hopes the film will inspire other Native American groups to share their stories and what they are doing to save their languages.

A trailer for the "First Language" documentary and order form to purchase copies of the film can be accessed through the NCLLP website www.talkingnc.com. In addition, copies are being sold at WNC businesses and venues, and have been placed at WCU's Hunter Library and shared with schools on the Qualla Boundary and in Swain, Jackson, Cherokee and Graham counties. Filmmakers also said they hope the documentary will air on public

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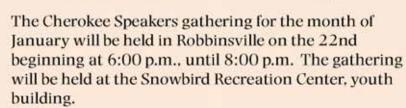
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## CHEROKEE SPEAKERS GATHERING IN THE SNOWBIRD COMMUNITY

January 22, 2015



All Cherokee speakers as well as second language learners are invited to attend the gathering. We will be having dinner with pot luck sides, so bring your favorite side of vegetables or a dessert.

For more information, call Myrna Climbingbear, Community Mobilization Coordinator at 554-6406 or email Myrna with your questions at myrnclim@nc-cherokee.com

## Energy Tip of the Week Presented by Cameron Cooper,

Presented by Cameron Cooper Energy Program Coordinator 828-554-6713

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#### BATHROOM...

It doesn't take much effort to turn your bathroom into an energy efficient zone. By taking the necessary steps, you could not only lower your energy costs but also improve your health as well!

- Leaky faucets can result in gallons of water wasted, so take quick action to repair any in your bathroom. Hot water leaking at 1 drip per second adds up to 1,661 gallons of water wasted in a year.
- Save up to \$70 in annual energy costs by replacing your 5 most frequently used light bulbs or fixtures with ENERGY STAR certified ones.
- Save water by going for a 10-minute shower instead of a bath.
   New low-flow showerheads are more cost efficient than older models or baths, and can save you up to \$145 a year in electricity costs.
- Run the ventilation fan during your bath and shower, and for 15 minutes afterwards, especially during the summer. Make sure to turn off the vent after the 15 minutes or you could be venting to much conditioned air out of your home
- Make sure to cut the lights off in the bathroom if you are done.

#### Tribal Council Agenda Thursday, Jan. 8

- I. Call to order Chairwoman Terri Henry II. Prayer – Rev. Richie Sneed –
- Christ Fellowship Church III. Roll Call
- IV. Orders of the Day
- Amendment to Cherokee Code Sec. 16-4.09, Sec. 16-5.03, and Sec. 16-5.08 (Item No. 1)
- Amendment to Cherokee Code Sec. 16C-3 Allocations and applications of distributable net revenues (Item No. 2)
- V. Reports & Announcements
  VI. Requests for Time
- **9:30 a.m.** Request for Time Roseanne Sneed Belt – WCU update
- **9:40 a.m. -** Request for Time Francine Watty Children's Home update
- **9:50 a.m.** Request for Time Tiffany Owle – Personal issues
- **10:00 a.m.** Request for Time Donald Owle Seeking help and information about missing kids and possible tribal law changes
- VII. Agenda Items
- **10:10 a.m.** Recognition and confirmation of Guy John Taylor's (D) Last Will & Testament, and assignment of property (Item No. 3)
- 10:20 a.m. TCGE Board of Advi-

sors Appointments (Item No.4)

- **10:30 a.m.** Approval and support for the planning and implementation of a tribal government owned gas station/convenience store (Item No. 5)
- **10:40 a.m.** Amendment to Resolution No. 226 (2014) enacted on June 25, 2014 to omit Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 889, containing 0.498 acres, more or less (Item No. 6)
- 10:50 a.m. Everett Reagan, First Generation Heir, request to transfer his interest in Big Cove Community Parcel No. 359-L (Part of Parcel No. 359-I), containing 1.000 acres more or less, together with all improvements located thereon, to Harold Wanzel Reagan (Item No. 7)
- 11:00 a.m. Amendment to Resolution No. 56 (1991), enacted on December 5, 1991, to assign Johnson Catolster's Undivided Interest in Cherokee Village Parcel No. 70, containing 57.590 acres, more or less to Sara Catolster, Mary Alyne Eslinger, and Jana Eileen Haumpy (Item No. 8)
- **11:10 a.m.** IRB Proposal Helen Chang (Item No. 9)
- **11:20 a.m.** IRB Proposal Research Triangle Institute (Item No. 10)
- **11:30 a.m.** Request that both casinos owned and operated by the EBCI will no longer allow any outsourcing of any of the operations

- performed by both entities, unless those operations are TERO Certified (Item No. 11)
- **11:40 a.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 277 Cherokee Broadband Enterprise (Item No. 12)
- **11:50 a.m.** Tabled Res. No. 276 Technology Enhancement Fund (Item No. 13)
- **12:00 p.m.** LUNCH
- **1:00 p.m.** Tabled Res. No. 299 EBCI Information Technology Strategic Working Group (Item No. 14)
- **1:10 p.m.** Tabled Res. No. 400 Big Y request funding to expand broadband to Big Y community building (Item No. 15)
- 1:20 p.m. Tabled Res. No. 435 Request that organizational chart be amended to create a Chief Information/Technology Officer (Item No. 16)
- 1:30 p.m. Tabled Res. No. 186 Resolution requesting to decrease salaries for TCGE & TGC Board members (Item No. 17)
- **1:40 p.m.** Tabled Resolution No. 361 Collaboration of Cherokee Courts and Office of Attorney General in revising and improving the POA forms (Item No. 18)
- **1:50 p.m.** Tabled Resolution No. 375 Health & Human Services assist with subsidized child care (Item No. 19)

- 2:00 p.m. Tabled Res. No. 439 Request by Carol Long Mintz to be able to transfer her property in Cherokee County to her enrolled daughter, Carol Dale Mintz (Item No. 20)
- **2:10 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 168 Landlord Tenant Ordinance (Item No. 21)
- **2:20 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 380 Amendment to Cherokee Code Section 14-95.5 Possession of a controlled substance (Item No. 22)
- **2:30 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 425 Retirement Plan for Council's & Chief's spouses be terminated (Item No. 23)
- **2:40 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 426 Amendment to Cherokee Code Chapter 113 Hunting and Fishing (Item No. 24)
- **2:50 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 427 Amendment to Cherokee Code Section 2-1 and Section 14 involving crimes against children (Item No. 25)
- **3:00 p.m.** Tabled Ordinance No. 428 Amendment to Cherokee Code Section 14 involving incarcerated individuals (Item No. 26)
- VIII. EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS IX. BANISHMENT ITEMS AS NECESSARY
- X. RECESS

- TOP Office

#### **Cherokee Fire Station numbers**

Cherokee Fire Station 1 now has a new telephone number 359-6584. Stations 2 and 3 will retain their current telephone numbers of 497-0681 and 497-7952 respectively.

#### Syllabary Valentine's Day cards

Have a Valentine's Day card printed in the Cherokee syllabary while you tour the Museum of the Cherokee Indian on Saturday, Feb. 14. Cards are free of charge and are being offered by the SCC printing program.

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#### THANK YOU LETTERS

#### Nurse Family Partnership staff says thanks

n behalf of the EBCI Nurse Family Partnership Program, we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the individuals who contributed to our program which was a success: Nurse Family Partnership staff (Candy, Elaine and Tricia), Tommy Lakey, and Albert and Earl Martin.

We would like to thank Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe and Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe for their monetary donations, and thank you to 3 Sisters Enterprises (Judy Castoreno), Khogas Printing (Peanut Crowe), Southern Charm, and Michelle McCoy for your generous contributions.

Also, thank you to the Waterfalls Baptist Church members for their generous contributions (diapers, wipes, baby powder, etc.) and Owle Construction for their monetary contribution. Thank you to all of the shooter/participants that came out to join us for this event. Once again, thank you from the Nurse Family Partnership staff and the clients we serve.

#### CHS wrestling team, coaches say thanks

he CHS Wrestling Team and Coaches would like to take this opportunity to thank the following for making the 40th Annual Chief Osley B. Saunooke Wrestling Tournament a huge success: Tammie Ledford for running the hospitality room, Nellie Jones, Lynn Swearingen, Bradley's Grocery, Kenny and Lana Bradley, Lance, Food Lion, Cherokee Bottled Water, Wendy's, Hardee's, Subway, CHS Booster Club, CHS Athletics and staff.

A very big thank you to all the table workers, score keepers, parents and volunteers who stayed late to set up the mats after the ball games on Friday night, those who arrived at 7am to finish set up and weigh-ins Saturday morning, those who

stayed to clean up after a 13-hour day, CHS Janitorial Staff and most importantly, all of our fans. Another special thank you goes to Anthony Swearingen for his work on the brackets, rankings, and making sure all the teams and wrestlers were placed appropriately. Congratulations to our Osley B. Champion, Jaron Bradley; Anthony Toineeta for 4th place, and all CHS Wrestlers who participated. Again, thank you all!

- CHS Wrestling Team

#### **Wolftown Community Club says thanks**

he Wolftown Community Lighting contest was held on Thursday, Dec. 11 and Tony and Sis Cabe won 1st place and Barry and Vickie Reed placed 2nd. Tony and Sis also took 1st in the Reservation Wide Lighting Contest. Wolftown Community Club won Best Overall and Best Theme for the First Annual Community Building Lighting contest. Congratulations to all the winners!

Thank you to the following people who donated lights for the building: Mary Jackson, Mary Long, Sheila Arch, Mollie Littlejohn, Mary Lambert, Roberta Sneed, Tony and Sis Cabe, and Bill Taylor. A special thank you to Mary Jackson, Sadie Jackson and Loretta Bolden for helping make the decorations. You did a wonderful job!

Tammy Jackson, Secretary Wolftown Community Club

#### A very heartfelt thank you

apologize for taking so long to get this out...in April, I had many complications with my pregnancy which led to being put out of work for quite a while. Thank you to my niece Kaelynn for going in the delivery room with me.

Thank you to all of my family for everything you have done to help.

A special thank you to Bo Parris for always checking on me and for those special prayers. I really needed them. Thank you to my sister, brother, niece, and dad for taking such good care of my kids!

Dad, thank you for coming out here to be with me even through your busy schedule. I love you and appreciate everything. Most of all, I want to thank my mom for being by my side since May. I would have never made it without you. I love you with all my heart. There is so much you have done for me and my son! I appreciate everything. Thank you to my aunts, Lavinia and Vivian, for being my nurses.

God, thank you for answering prayers! There were times I wanted to give up, but I knew you never left my side. This was a time in my life that there was only one set of footprints in the sand! I applogize if I have left anyone out; it is not intentional. I appreciate all that everyone has done for me and also for my children. I thank you all from the bottom of my heart!

Missie Garcia

#### Belated thank you

belated "thank you" to the Police, Firemen and EMTs and neighbors who responded to our cry for help on the night of the loss of our beloved family member, Ted Rose. Thank you to all of the singers, preachers and friends who offered us comfort during our loss. A special thank you to God who allowed time and the ER staff for being so kind and helpful. Thank you to Tribal Construction for being there when we needed you.

The family of Ted Rose

## Painttown building coming along

The Painttown Community
Building is slated for completion in
May. The exterior of the building is
complete while Morton Builders is
currently working on plumbing and

electrical. The gym will have a capacity of 400, complete with multiple office rooms, large community area, weight room, and a kitchen.

#### Closing of tribal backroads

Per CDOT, gates to the following

roads are currently closed and will remain closed until March 15:
Bunches Creek (above last bridge, on the top end, main creek/parkline),
Mile High (Glen's Campground),
leaving Blue Ridge Parkway to Hyatt
Cove, at last house on Hyatt Cove, at

last trailer on Jenkin's Creek, intersection of left hand prong of Jenkin's Creek and Dobson Ridge, above Chief Youngdeer's, Cow Mountain Road, and the top of Washington Creek.

- CDOT

## Cherokee WW II veteran's copy of Lord's Prayer donated to Smithsonian

AHLEQUAH, **Okla.** — A copy of the Lord's Prayer in the Cherokee language carried by a Cherokee World War II veteran is now in the possession of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

The late Woodrow Roach of Tahlequah fought for the U.S. Army from 1944-45 and believed the prayer to be his good luck charm while serving in Italy and the Philippines.

Roach's family says they donated the prayer to the museum as a way to honor their patriarch's sac-

"Our family has so much respect for veterans and the sacrifices they all make," said Della Boyer, of Denton, Texas, Roach's granddaughter. "We just wanted to share a special piece of our family history with others from around the world. I know there will be many veterans and families that can relate to my grandfather carrying this prayer with him during the war. Many soldiers needed that one thing that gave them comfort and security during very trying times."

Thirty-two years old when he went to war, Roach chose to fight for his

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER IN CHEROKEE

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INTERPRETATION, WITH PRONUNCIATION ACCORDING TO THE ALPHABET.

aw gi daw da | ga lv la di ehi | ga lv quo di yu | ge se sdi | de tsa daw vi | dsa gv wi yu hi ge sv | wi ga na nu gaw i | a ni e law hi | wi dsi ga li sda | ha da nº ste gº i | na sgi ya | ga lv la di | tsi ni ga li sdi ha | ni da daw da qui sv | aw ga li sda yv di | sgi v si | gaw hi i ga | di ge sgi v si quo naw | de sgi du gv i | na sgl ya | tsi di ga yaw tsi na haw | tsaw tsi du gi | a le tla sdi | oo da gaw le ye di yi ge sv | wi di sgi ya ti nv sta nv gi | sgi yu da le sge sdi quo sgi ni | oo yaw ge sv i | tsa tse li ga ye naw | tsa gv wi yu hi | ge sv i | a le | dsa li ni gi di yi | ge sv i | a le | e dsa lv quo di yu | ge sv | ni gaw hi lv i | e me n.

#### TRANSLATION.

Our Father | heaven dweller, | Hallowed | be | thy name. | Thy kingdom | let it make its appearance. | Here upon earth | take place | Thy will, | the same as | in heaven | [it] is done. | Daily [adj.] | our food give to us | this day. | Forgive us | our debts, | the same as | we forgive | our debtors. | And do not | temptation being | lead us into [it]. | Deliver us from | evil existing. | For thine | the kingdom | is, | and | the power | is, | and | the glory | is, | forever | amen.

Photo courtesy of Cherokee Nation

The late Cherokee Nation citizen and U.S. Army veteran Woodrow Roach carried this copy of the Lord's Prayer in Cherokee while serving in Italy and the Philippines during World War II. The copy of the prayer is now in the permanent collection of the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

country even though the Army said he could opt out since he had three young children at home. He completed his basic training at

Fort Chaffee near Fort Smith, Arkansas and then joined the fight in Italy. While serving in Italy, a road grader of the Army

came under fire and blocked the path of Roach and the other men. Roach crawled to the grader on his stomach and moved the machine so the men could proceed down the path and fight back.

After his heroic efforts, Roach was sent to the Philippines and transferred to an engineering company that built bridges since he was able to operate heavy machinery.

"I'm not surprised that my grandfather would crawl out in enemy fire to move the grader. He was a little bitty guy who could kick butt and take names later," said Boyer. "He was tough, but he cared about his fellow man."

After completing his service, Roach worked for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and taught at Sequoyah High School for several years.

The date for showcasing Roach's prayer at the museum has yet to be determined.

The National Museum of the American Indian is located on the National Mall in the nation's capital. The museum possesses an expansive collection of Native American artifacts, photographs and other objects. The museum is part of the Smithsonian Institution, which consists of 19 world-class museums, nine research centers and a zoo.

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#### VETERANS CORNER

## Captain Virginia Sneed-Dixon, Army Nurse Corps

#### **WARREN DUPREE**

pon completion of

nurses training in Knoxville, Tenn., Captain Virginia Sneed-Dixon registered with the Red Cross. After the Pearl Harbor attack and the nation's entry into World War II, she joined the United States Army. She received no basic training and was assigned to Camp Lee Station Hospital, Camp Lee, Virginia in February 1942. Once on base, Sneed, now a Commissioned 2nd Lt., was assigned a hospital ward and went straight to work. This duty assignment lasted from February to May 1942.

transferred to Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, DC from June 1942 to February 1945. She was assigned to general nursing duties for eight months, and then assigned to a convalescent hospital to care for patients returning from the North African Theater of Operations. These patients included amputees, head injury, psychiatric patients, retired, and older military veteran patients.

2nd Lt. Sneed was then

In February 1945, Lt. Sneed applied for overseas duty, but instead, received orders for Brentwood Army Hospital in Rhode Island. She was stationed at the duty assignment from Feb-

ruary to May 1945.

In May of 1945, Lt. Sneed received order to the 22nd Field Hospital in the mountains of Western China. The 22nd Field Hospital Unit was located near the Burma Road, about ten thousand feet in elevation. At this time in the war, there were no war injuries, just tropical/jungle diseases and sickness to tend to. It was at this time period, Ms. Sneed contracted malaria.

In October 1945, both she and her unit moved to Calcutta, India to board ship transport for a month long journey to the United States. Upon arrival at port in New York City, she returned to Fort Bragg, NC and separated from active duty to a reserve duty status.

In February 1949, Lt. Sneed returned to active duty. She was assigned to the 1717st EVAC Field Hospital Unit Fort Bragg, NC.

In June 1950, the
North Koreans invaded
South Korea. Along with
her unit, she packed up and
moved by train to San
Francisco, CA to board
troop transport and set sail
for Pusan, South Korea, arriving in August 1950.

When United Nations
Forces broke out of the
Pusan perimeter and began
the advance north, the
171st EVAC Field Hospital



moved north in support of UN Forces. In November of 1950, the 171st set up operations in an old North Korean Hospital in Pyongyang, Korea, where they began taking in casualties. Conditions were very primitive in extremely cold temperatures with no water, electricity, and very little heat from small stoves. The 171st ER worked twenty-four hours a day. It was hard work because of all the war casualties coming in.

In December 1950, the Chinese Communist Army invaded the area around the 171st EVAC Field Hospital, and as a result, all female personnel were evacuated to prevent their capture by hostile force. She spent the next five months with the 361st Army Hospital, Japan.

In August 1951, Captain Sneed redeployed to Korea Theater of Operations and was assigned to the 8063rd MASH Unit near the DMZ, 38th Parallel. The 8063rd only took spinal cord and head injuries. Korea was not only known as the "Land of the Morning Sun", but it was the birthplace for helicopter support. Helicopters were of great importance to the war effort and even more vital in their role as ambulances. The Bell H-13, nicknamed "Sioux" by the US Army, was the most widely used Med EVAC helicopter.

Cpt. Sneed stated, "this was the first time helicopters were used, and we'd get the soldiers soon after they were hit. I'm sure that we saved a lot of lives because of them." Cpt. Sneed returned to 3rd Army Headquarters, Fort McPherson Atlanta, GA in 1952.

Virginia Sneed Dixon separated from active military in 1954, married, had a family, and became a wife, mother, and homemaker.

When asked about her military service, she stated, "I loved it! I thought more about my patients than I did myself. I was able to see the world and I also saw Franklin D Roosevelt in the White House."

Virginia Sneed Dixon's list of awards and decorations included:

- American Campaign Medal WWII
- Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal WWII
- Victory Medal WWII
- WWII Occupation Medal
- National Defense Service Medal
- Korean Service Medal/4 Battle Star Devices
- China War Memorial Medal WWII

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## "Redskins": Just a name?

"Our self-identity is the

core of who we are and

how we move into the

future as a people

worthy of respect."

#### By LT. COL. (Ret.) KINA SWAYNEY

ow would you define yourself? Native American, American Indian, Indian, Native, Indigenous, Aboriginal? What about "redskin"? By definition, it's a dictionary-defined, racial slur that's become an institutionalized slur by the NFL Team, the Washington Redskins. It's a topic of great controversy among the native community.

Many tribal nations, the state of Oklahoma, and many congressional representatives are urging change. The National Congress for American Indians, the Native Voice, and other organizations are actively advocating against the name. Even the media supports change and many are limiting or eliminating use of the term. The team even lost the U.S. trademark in 2013 and the backlash against use of the name prompted President Obama to offer his opinion urging change.

This past November, the American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 posted colors during a Washington "Redskins" game in honor of Veteran's Day and Native American Recognition month. It came as a great disappointment when their participation was featured as the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, "Supporting the Name" on Washington's team website. The American Legion went to Washington in good faith and with honorable intentions. The Redskin Foundation took advantage of that good faith and honorable gesture to further the support for the

contentious "Redskins" name.

Not surprising, the team has created a foundation that is courting Native communities, reaching out to tribal leadership, hiring natives to lobby for them in support of the name. We should not be so easily duped by their generous contributions. The message we should send is that our dignity and self-respect are not for sale. It's worth much more than a few box seats at one of their games and token gestures of philanthropy throughout our Native communities.

In October 2014, the outgoing Chief of the Navajo Nation, Ben Shelly and wife, sat in box seats, wearing redskin hats, with Washington Redskins owner, Dan Snyder, discussing a business venture, while protestors at the gate lobbied against the Redskins name. Later, the incoming chief issued a statement saying the Navajo Nation can do business with the team's owners when they change the Redskins name.

The Navajo Nation, as well

as other tribes, has passed legislation that officially denounces the name. Until passed by Tribal resolution, as supported by the people, we should not allow our participation in any event to be presented as support for the Redskins name or logo. Our Tribe should collectively decide our official position on this issue, like the Navajo Nation did, and issue a bill either supporting it or not. Until then, we should issue an official statement and have the Washington Redskins Foundation retract the "supporting the name" language from any of their press releases, web site, and other media outputs.

Throughout recent history, state governments and other teams have changed flags and names because they were found to be offensive to Black Americans. We are entitled to the same respect. Our self-identity is the core of who we are and how we move into the future as a people worthy of respect.

Swayney is a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army and an EBCI tribal member.

## **Proud** of the Braves football team

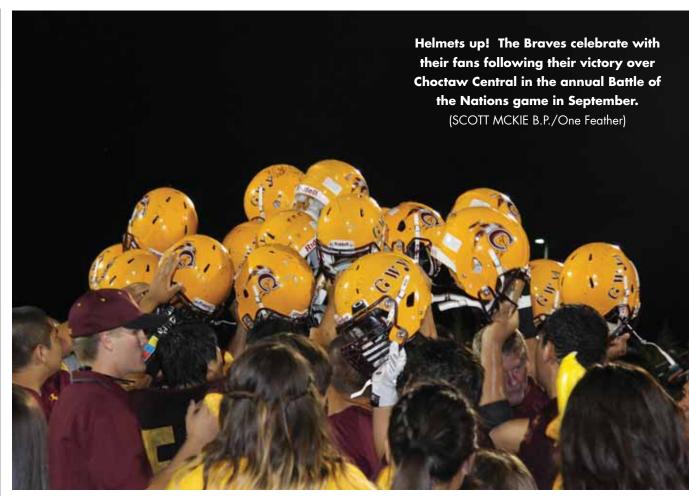
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CHS BOOSTER CLUB

he Cherokee Braves football team ended their season on a cold evening in Huntersville in the first round of the state playoffs last month. Although the season ended with this loss, the Braves rebounded from last year's 0-10 record to have a competitive season that brings enthusiasm and encouragement for the future.

The senior players provided leadership throughout the season

including: Matt Lee, J.J. Benjamin, Brandon Buchanan, Jaron Bradley, Steven Daggs, Nick Hill, Dustin Johnson and Channing Lossiah. Unfortunately, Buchanan went down with a season-ending knee injury against Andrews. He was the passing leader in the Smoky Mountain Conference with 1,377 yards and 14 touchdowns. Buchanan's injury seriously impacted the team, as he had a great season at quarterback. Jaron Bradley had an outstanding senior year at defensive end. Steven Daggs has been a four-year player and had several key hits during the season. Nick Hill returned to the team this year and played hard and consistent on the line. Dustin Johnson is a tremendous athlete who made numerous spectacular catches over the season and led the conference in receiving. Channing Lossiah once again had a solid season. Matt Lee hit hard and effectively throughout the season. Transfer J.J. Benjamin brought a new dimension to the team with his speed and explosiveness and led the confer-



ence in kickoff returns.

These seniors returned after a tough 2013 season. They are not quitters and worked hard for the team. It would have been very easy to quit and give up, but they came back and were able to see success. These young men will certainly be missed next year, and we wish them the best in their future endeavors. The future for Braves football looks bright. The junior class will return Kennan Panther, who led western North Carolina in tackles all season with a total of 190, as well as tying for first place in the entire state for the largest number of tackles recorded. Also returning is Logan Teesateskie, another great tackler who finished third in western North Carolina for the most tackles, Jason McMillan, Darius Blanton, Taylor Wachacha, Eli and Cain Arch. Also returning is big Malaki Ramirez and Danny French. Justin Brady will also return to the field next year.

The support for the Braves this past fall was awesome. The Braves Booster Club provides major support to Braves athletics. There are individuals who work their tails off to make events happen. Special thanks to Buttons Long in the concession, Trista Welch for all her help, Sarah Teesateskie as president of the Braves Booster Club, Mr. Kinsland in the press box, along with all the others up top. There are many others who work hard — Braves fans know who you are.

The Cherokee One Feather pro-

vided outstanding photo shots and coverage all season. Thank you to the One Feather for supporting the Braves.

The Braves coaching staff
worked hard to prepare and motivate the team. These are Head
Coach Kent Briggs, assistants Craig
Barker, Gary Horton, Spencer
Moore, Johnny Mitchell and Carl
Anker. Special thanks to the head
trainer, John Mitzel. Will Poolaw
also deserves a huge thank you!

We are looking forward to more improvement in 2015. We are proud of our young men. We appreciate all the Braves fans out there who supported them this fall, and we look forward to a bright future!

#### General Events

NAIWA Silent Auction. Jan. 9, at 7am at the Yellowhill Community Building. A list of items will be provided prior to the auction, and breakfast will be available during the event.

Benefit dinner for Rick Lambert. Jan. 8 at 11am at the Yellowhill Community Building. Rick has been out of work since October due to an illness. Dinners are \$8 -BBQ, cole slaw, baked beans, desert and drink. Delivery with five or more orders. To place orders: 736-0286, 736-1672, 226-7411 or 736-2478

NASA Tip-off 3-on-3 Tournament. Jan. 9-10 at the Acquoni Expo Center gym. Open Men and Women ages 18-39 and 40+over. 5-person roster, no entry fee, double elimination. The deadline to enter is Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 4pm. Prizes will be Nike sweatshirts and hoodies. This is sponsored by Cherokee Life Recreation. Info:

Donad Jackson 788-4727 or 497-4728

**Cherokee Language Classes.** Jan. 12 – Feb. 2 on Mondays from 6:30-9pm at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. A beginning and an advanced beginner class will be held with the cost of the class being \$40 for all four evenings. The class will be taught by EBCI tribal members Shirley Oswalt and Mary Brown. In case of

inclement weather, be sure to call

ahead first. Info: Sequoyah Birth-

place Museum (423) 884-6246

#### **Ongoing Events**

Phil's Barn Dance. Every Saturday Night in Bryson City. Winter months 7-10pm. From Highway 74, take exit 64, turn right and right again on Hwy 19. There will be a sign on the right. Clogging, two-step, Waltz, line dancing and more. Music by the Running Wolfe Band. Info: 497-3144



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Use that Arian charm to help make a difficult workplace transition easier for everyone. News about a long-awaited decision can be confusing. Don't jump to conclusions.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Although you might well be tempted to be more extravagant than you should be at this time, I'm betting you'll let your sensible Bovine instinct guide you toward moderation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An opportunity for travel could come with some problems regarding travel companions and other matters. So be sure you read all the fine print before you start packing

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Make an effort to complete your usual workplace tasks before volunteering for extra duty. Scrambling to catch up later on could create some resentment among your colleagues.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) A financial matter could have you rethinking your current spending plans. You might want to recheck your budget to see where you can cut back on expenses until the situation improves.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) One way to make your case for that promotion you've been hoping for might be to put your planning skills to work in helping to shape up a project that got out of hand. Good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Be careful about "experts" who have no solid business background. Instead, seek advice on enhancing your business prospects from bona fide sources with good success

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Standing up to support a colleague's viewpoint — even if it's unpopular — can be difficult if you feel outnumbered. But you'll win plaudits for your honesty and courage.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) While progress continues on resolving that recurring problem, you might feel it's taking too long. But these things always need to develop at their own pace. Be patient.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Someone close to you might have a financial problem and seek your advice. If you do decide to get involved, insist on seeing everything that might be relevant to this situation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A personal matter takes an interesting turn. The question is, do you want to follow the new path or take time out to reconsider the change? Think this through before deciding.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Moving into a new career is a big step. Check that offer carefully with someone who has been there, done that, and has the facts you'll need to help you make your decision.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your warmth and generosity both of spirit and substance endears you to everyone.

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Cherokee One Feather Poll of the Week

How much do you plan to spend on Christmas gifts this season?

under \$100 21%

over \$100 **67%** 

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Question of the week now up on theonefeather.com: How do you get your news of Tribal Council actions/rulings?

> Put your quill and ink to paper and let us know what your thoughts are. Share your opinions in a letter to the editor (250 word limit) today. Send letters to robejump@nc-cherokee.com or bring them by the One Feather office. Info: Robert Jumper 359-6261

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#### Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879. Rent is \$60/day for gym and community room with a \$25 returnable clean-up fee.

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Charlene Owle, secretary, 788-3723 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit). Info: Jody Taylor, chairperson, 736-7510

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Community Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

Snowbird Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278,rogersmoker@yahoo.com

Wolftown Community Club meets the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben 497-2043 to be scheduled.

#### Groups/Clubs

Acting and musical theatre classes. Weekly at the Mountainside Performing Arts School (Unto These Hills). Acting class is every Tuesday

from 6-7pm for ages 8 and up. Musical theatre is held every Thursday evening from 6-7pm for ages 5 and up. Community Theatre is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 7-8pm for ages 14 and up. These are open to everyone. Info: Marina Hunley-Graham, school instructor, 497-3652

**Bee Keepers** meet the second Thursday of every month at 7pm at Southwestern Community College (old Almond School) past Bryson City. Info: Bill Williams 488-1391

Cherokee Children's Coalition meets the last Thursday of each month at 11am at the Agelink School Age Conference Room.

Cherokee Runners meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 5pm at the Age Link Conference Room. Anyone interested in walking or running, no matter your fitness level, is invited to join. See their Facebook page or check out their website at www.cherokeerunners.com.

Cherokee Speakers Gathering is normally held on the fourth Thursday of every month. All Cherokee Speakers and Cherokee Language learners are welcome to enjoy a potluck dinner and an evening of fellowship in the Cherokee language. These events are sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation & Education Program and in part by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. For meeting location information call, Myrna Climbingbear 554-6406 or email myrnclim@nc-cherokee.com

**EBCI 4-H Archery** meets every other Tuesday from 5:30-7pm. Beginners to advanced, ages 5-17. Must have a responsible adult present and turn in a notarized 4-H application. Info: Sarah McClellan-Welch 554-6935

**Local Foods Network** meets the last Tuesday of each month (Jan. to Oct.)from 11am – 1pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension office. Info: Sarah 554-6935, Tammara 554-6936 or Heather 554-6932

North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA) Cherokee Chapter meets the second Thursday

of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, Carmaleta@msn.com

Yellowhill Judo Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-8pm at the old Cherokee High School weight room. Classes are free. Info: Will Lambert 736-1600

#### Support Groups

cancer Support Group is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Boundary, indiscriminately. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. SAFE HAVEN is staffed from 10am – 2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Personal fittings can be arranged during these times as well. Info: 497-0788, email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com, P.O. Box 2220, Cherokee.

Jackson County Breastfeeding Support Gathering meets the first Saturday morning of each month at 10:30am at the Smoky Mountain OB/GYN office located across from Harris Regional Hospital. Meetings are free and everyone is welcome. Info: Stephanie Faulkner 506-1185 or Teresa Bryant 587-8214

**Substance Use Family Support Group** meets Tuesdays at 5:30pm at Church of Christ at 2350 Old Mission Road in Cherokee. Info: (828) 226-0455

## Upcoming Pow Wows

Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff. The One Feather does not endorse any of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.

15th Annual Morning Star Celebration and **American Indian Pow** Wow. Jan. 10 at John Carroll School in Bel Air, Md. This is a benefit pow wow for St. Labre Indian School. MC: Dennis Zotigh. Head Southern Singer: Jon Orens. Invited Northern Drums: Youghtanund, Black Horse Butte, White Buffalo, Southern Heart and Medicine Horse. Info: Gary Scholl (410) 838-8333 ext. 2002,

glsjcs@yahoo.com



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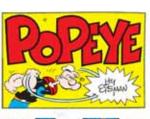
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- 4. AD SLOGANS: Which company's ads claim its services are "So easy a caveman can do it"?
- 5. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which ancient philosopher once said, "If you do not change direction, you may end up where you are heading"
- 6. MEDICAL: What is the condition called eyesis?
- 7. TELEVISION: Who used to sign off his program with the words, "Good night and good luck"?
- 8. LANGUAGE: What is the American equivalent of the British term "braces"?
- 9. MOVIES: In which film is "The Children's Marching Song" performed? 10. LITERATURE: What is the subject matter of
- the book "Ten Days That Shook the World"? © 2014 King Features Synd., Inc.







































The yule

log

Part of traditional Yule or Christmas celebrations in several European cultures, burning the yule log stretches back many centuries. Celtic pagans decorated oak logs and burned them for 12

days during winter solstice.

Afterwards they tossed the ashes on fields or put them inside amulets, but kept a piece of the charred log to light the new log for the next year's solstice.

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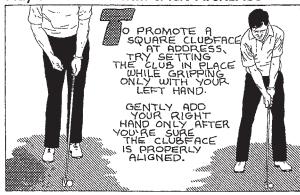
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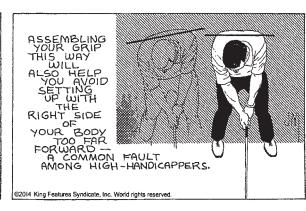
#### HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



"You two gonna sleep all day?"

#### Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS





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#### **CHURCH**

## **BIBLE TRIVIA**By WILSON CAVEY

1. Is the book of Luke

in the Old or New Testament or neither? 2. For the journey to Bethlehem, how did Mary and Joseph travel? Bible not specific, Walked, Rode donkey, Boat 3. When Mary became pregnant, she and Joseph were "what"? Married, Engaged, Just friends, Strangers 4. At the birth of Jesus, who was king of Judaea? Solomon, Herod, Balak, Belshazzar 5. What was the home city of Mary and Joseph? Capernaum, Nazareth, Aphek, Shechem 6. Of these, which wasn't a gift from the wise men? Silver, Myrrh, Gold, Frankincense

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Bible not specific; 3) En-Nazareth; 6) Silver

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Acquoni Baptist Church. 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Sunday Choir Practice 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm. Pastor Ed Kilgore (497-6521 (h) or 788-0643 (c)

Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Danny Lambert

**Beacon of Hope Baptist Church.** Sunday Worship 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Wesley Stephens (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 1088 Birdtown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 7pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Youth Meeting Wednesday 7pm. Pastor Eddie Sherrill 497-7770

**Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church.** 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee
Language class for adults. Sunday
Morning Worship 11am. Sunday
Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday
Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm.
Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

**Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 7710 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Doris McMillan 497-4220

**Calico Church of Christ.** Big Cove Community. Sallie Bradley 497-6549

**Cherokee Baptist Church.** 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

**Cherokee Bible Church.** Olivet Church Road. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Randy Miller 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. Sunday Bible Study 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 6pm. Minister Jim Sexton 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 21 Church of God Drive. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Charles Griffin (828) 400-9753

#### **Cherokee Church of the**

Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. Sunday Morning Service 11am. Continental Breakfast served Sunday 10:30am. Sunday Evening Prayer Service 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7pm. Food and Clothing Ministry M-Th 4-8pm. Pastors Lester and Lisa Hardesty 497-2819

#### **Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness**

**Church.** Located behind the Wolfetown Gym. Sunday School: 10am, Sunday worship: 11am, Sunday evening worship: 6pm. Wednesday night worship: 6pm. Welcoming our new Pastor: Louise Stamey (828) 492-0366

**Cherokee United Methodist Church.** Hwy 19 – Soco Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday night family night starting with dinner at 6pm then Bible classes for all ages. Pastor John Ferree (336)

309-1016, www.cherokeem is sion.org

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday Campground. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Service and Kids Club 6pm. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm (except third Wednesday of Month at Tsali Care 6:30pm). Rev. Patricia Crockett 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

#### Ela Missionary Baptist Church.

Hwy 19 South. Sunday school 10am, Sunday worship 11am, Sunday evening worship 7pm, Wednesday evening worship 7pm. All visitors welcome. Pastor Larry W. Foster

**Goose Creek Baptist Church.** Sunday School – 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Sunday Evening Services 6pm. Pastor – Bro. James Gunter

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 1921 US 441 N. Sunday service 10am. Thursday service 7pm. Pastor Margie Hall 736-9383

#### Living Waters Lutheran Church.

30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Pastor Jack Russell 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolftown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, 828-508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

#### Olivet United Methodist Church.

811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. John Ferree, www.olivetumc.org. Search "John Ferree" to watch sermons on You Tube.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. Saturday Spanish Mass 7pm. Sunday Mass 9am. Pastor Peter Shaw 736-5322

#### Piney Grove Baptist Church.

Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Worship 6pm.

#### Rock Hill Baptist Church.

Sunday Services 11am, Thursday Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Red Woodard (828) 356-7312 Rock Springs Baptist Church. 129 Old Gap Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Greg Morgan 497-9455, 736-1245 (cell)

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 3755 Big Cove Road. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Bible Study 1pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Tim James 497-7644

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Everett Fredholm, (828) 280-0209, cherokeeepiscopal@gmail.com

#### Straight Fork Baptist Church.

Big Cove Loop. Sunday school 10am. Sunday morning worship 11am. Sunday evening worship 6pm. Wednesday night prayer service 7pm. Youth group meetings also. Pastor Charles Ray Ball 488-3974

#### Waterfalls Baptist Church.

Wrights Creek Road. Sunday Morning 10am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6:30pm. Pastor James "Red" Bradley

Wilmot Baptist Church. Thomas Valley Road. Sunday school: 10am, Worship: 11am, Sunday night worship: 6pm, Wednesday prayer service: 7pm, every other Thursday night (Youth night) singing, bible study and crafts: 6pm. Pastor: Johnny Ray Davis

#### Wrights Creek Baptist Church.

Wrights Creek Rd. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6pm. Visitors welcome. Pastor Dan Lambert.

Yellowhill Baptist Church. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Foreman Bradley 506-0123 or 736-4872





Email: info@wrgc.com

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#### TRADING POST

#### **FOR SALE**

**Chakeeras Offering** many types of beads, jewelry making supplies, tool and handmade jewelry. Before you drive towards Sylva, stop by, we may have what you need. Located at 2811 Hwy 441 S, Whittier (on the right, just past the Old Mill. Mon, Wed-Sat 12pm - 6pm; Sun 1pm -6pm; Closed Tuesdays FACEBOOK: Chakeeras (828)0490-1645.

3/13pd

Fifth Wheel Hitches New and Used. Anglin's in Otto (828) 349-4500. **1/8pd** 

2005 Mazda Tribute, automatic, FWD, 4 Cylinder, Radio & CD. Good interior and exterior, good on gas, two new front tires, good back tires. This is a good car! \$2,900 Call (828) 736-5171. **1/15pd** 

#### **REWARD**

#### \$500 REWARD: Canon Powershot camera lost at playground next to Cherokee EMS facility on Sunday Oct. 19. Please call 864-506-2691. NO questions asked. Cash money.

1/15pd

1/8pd

**Reward \$175 for 77** Husqvarna Power Saw taken from Darrell Ross' truck on Nov. 26 around 7-8 pm. No questions.

### REALTY

#### **Big Cove Community**

tribal members that have

documents to sign in the

The following is a list of

BIA Realty Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolution. Noah Allen Arch, Shawn David Calhoun, Cora Lynn Sanders Crowe, Kimberly Dawn Crowe, Kristen Lynn Sanders Crowe, David Eugene Davis, Susanna Calhoun Finger, Edmond Merony French, Kathy Linda Ross Galanick, Viola Yvonne Shell Garnett, Jennifer Dawn West George, Yonnie Watty Hill, Marsha Lane Davis Jackson, Jackie Lee Johnson, Ellie Mae Locust Maney, Frances Ann Wolfe Maney, Robert Ammons Maney, Parent or Gaurdian of Robert Ammons Maney Jr., Samuel Patrick Panther, Sharon Lenell Welch Panther. Robert Lee Oueen, Riana Eileen Marie Rich, Shannon Patricia Lynn Rich, Wendy Wynne West Ricks, Ernest Lynn Ross, Letina Renee Saunooke, Rynda Lynn Marie Saunooke, Elliott Clark Shell, Michael Jay Shell, Flora Mae Calhoun Shelton, Annabelle Calhoun Shuler, Sheila Kay Standingdeer, Matthew Nicholas Drake Starlin, Daniel Dean Walkingstick Sr., Ongeequay A-ka-ti Walkingstick, David Norman Watty, Elsie Welch Watty, Samuel Watty, Donna Kay West Welch, James McKinley Welch, Caren S. West, Carolyn Rae

West, Darius Tyron West, Donovan Phillip Woodard West. Robin French West. Villareal Nika West, Abel Wolfe. Deweese Wolfe. Edwin Wolfe, Jane Wolfe, Kerri Lynn Wolfe

#### **Agreement to Divisions**

Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dwavne Lambert, Joseph Lloyd White, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Jackie Lee Johnson, Melissa Ann Maney, Jacob Pete Johnson, William Douglas Roberts, Mary Edith Reed Smith, Dennis Ray James, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, George Milton James, Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Howard Vincent Sneed, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Mary Louise Sneed Welch

#### **Proposed Land Transfers**

Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan to Victor Dwayne Wildcatt for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1059-F (Part of Parcel No. 1059-E), containing 0.475 acres, more or less.

Rachel Valentine Sneed to Indica Lynx Climbingbear for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1361-GA (Part of Parcel No. 1361-G), containing 1.076 acres, more or less.

Rachel Valentine Sneed to Indica Lynx Climbingbear for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1361-FA (Part of Parcel No. 1361-F), containing 0.924 acres, more or less.

Daryl Duane Martin to Diana Marie Crowe for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 255-L (Part of Parcel No. 255-M), containing 0.258 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon. One Half Interest.

Daryl Duane Martin to Diana Marie Crowe for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 255-J (Part of Parcel No. 255-B), containing 1.000 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon. One Half Interest.

Penelope Smith Boberg, Philip Brandon Saunooke and Joshual Herrell Saunooke to Joann Smith Henry for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 319-A (Part of Parcel No. 319), containing 0.17 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Albirda Anne Armachain to Athena Chai Shaleen Sadongei for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1444-D (Part of Parcel No. 1444-C), containing 0.296 acres, more or less.

#### **FOR RENT**

For Rent - 2 bedroom, 1bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela. No Pets references/background check required.

400month/\$300 deposit. 488-8752. 1/16pd

**SERVICES** 

**Window Tinting** Quality Guaranteed! Lifetime Warranty Anglin's in Otto (828) 349-4500. 1/8pd

#### **BUYING**

**Attention** – Nelson is still buying junk cars and scrap metal. Call (828) 269-3292. 1/29/15pd

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Cherokee Central Schools position** openings

\*Pre-K Teacher \*Elementary Computer Teacher Full Time Custodians \*Require NC teaching License. To apply you my contact the HR office at Cherokee Central Schools at 828.554.5096 or visit the Cherokee Central School-Human Resources Website http://cherokeecentral.sh arpschool.com/central\_of

#### One Feather seeking cartoonist

fice/human resources

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The Cherokee One Feather is offering an opportunity for EBCI enrolled artists by offering space in the newspaper for a weekly cartoon strip. We are looking for a color serial strip or strips done in a comic-book style. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact the editor, Robert Jumper, at 554-6482 or robejump@nccherokee.com. 1/15

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

## EASTERN BAND OF CHEROME INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.



### Positions Open

\*Please attach all required documents\*

\*eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates\*

#### Closing January 9, 2014 @ 4 pm

- 1. Administrative Assistant- Waste Water (\$30,320-\$37,900)
- Lead Maintenance Utility Worker- Destination Marketing (\$23,040-\$28,800)
- Special Events Assistant- Destination Marketing (\$27,680-\$34,600)
- Economic Analyst- Administration & Planning (\$52,480-\$65,600)
- Retail Development Specialist- Administration & Planning (\$43,920-\$54,900)
- 6. Firefighter- Cherokee Fire Dept (\$33,280-\$41,600)(6 Positions)
- 7. Driver- Transit (\$23,040-\$28,800)
- Teen Unit & Youth in Media Supervisor- CYC (\$30,320-\$37,900)
- Youth Development Professional- CYC (\$20,960-\$26,200)(2 Positions)
- Literacy/Multi-Culture Coordinator- Tribal Child Care (\$33,280-\$41,600)
- Office & Human Resources Administrator- Tribal Child Care (\$33,280-\$41,600)
- 12. Compliance Officer- TERO (\$36,560-\$45,700)

#### Closing January 16, 2015 @ 4 pm

- Maintenance Utility Worker- QHA (\$23,040-\$28,800)
- 2. Education Program Specialist- Education & Training (\$30,320-\$37,900)
- 3. Well Technician- Tribal Construction (\$33,280-\$41,600)
- 4. Utility Worker- Sanitation (\$20,960-\$26,200)(2 Positions)

#### Open Until Filled

- 1. EMT-P (Part-time) EMS
- 2. Teacher-Tribal Child Care
- 3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care
- 4. Attorney General- Legal
- Early Childhood/Elementary Language Specialist-KPEP
- Language Specialist Assistant- KPEP
- 7. Kituwah Academy Teacher
- 8. Patrol Officer- CIPD
- 9. Lead Accountant-Budget & Finance
- Evidence Control Custodian- CIPD
- 11. Corrections Officer- CIPD
- Education Curriculum Manager- Tribal Child Care
- 13. Early Childhood Behavioral Specialist-Tribal Child Care
- Fiscal Grant Manager- Tribal Child Care
- \*Please attach all required documents\*



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#### Health & Medical Positions

\*Please attach all required documents\*

\*eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates\*

#### Open Until Filled

- 1. C.N.A- Tsali Care Center
- 2. Medication Aide- Tsali Care Center
- 3. Cook Supervisor Tsali Care Center
- 4. Cook Aide- Tsali Care Center
- 5. Cook-Tsali Care Center
- 6. DV Intake Worker- Domestic Violence
- 7. Supervisor- Family Safety Program
- 8. Manager- Family Safety Program
- 9. Administrative Assistant- Family Safety Program
- 10. Social Worker- Family Safety Program (2 Positions)
- 11. Compliance Officer- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 12. Quality Improvement Coordinator- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 13. Director- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 14. Environmental Health & Safety Manager- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 15. Foster Care Licensure & Appeals Manager- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 16. Public Health Preparedness Coordinator- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 17. Breastfeeding Peer Counselor-WIC
- 18. Administrative Assistant- PHHS Regulatory & Compliance
- 19. Dental Hygenist- Children's Dental Program
- 20. Administrative Assistant- WIC

Download Applications & Job Descriptions NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

FT MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

FT SCHEDULER / PURCHASED AND REFERRED CARE

FT MANAGER / RESIDENTIAL & SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT (open until filled)

FT PHYSICIAN / ER (open until filled)

FT CMA Justice Center / Immediate Care Center (open until filled)

FT PHYSICIAN / Family Care Center (open until filled)

FT CMA-LPN / Family Care Center (open until filled)

FT REGISTRATION CLERK / Family Care Center (open until filled)

FT DIRECTOR / INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(open until filled)

FT DIRECTOR / ENGINEERING (open until filled)

FT MEDICAL DIRECTOR / SATELLITE CLINICS (open until filled) FT MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST/MEDICAL LAB TECHNICIAN (open

until filled)

Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho or Deb Toineeta at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday –Friday. This position will close 1/16/2015 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 1/15

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### BIDs, RFPs, etc.

#### THE EBCI HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Is seeking proposals from qualified T.E.R.O. certified contractors to excavate and build approximately 2200 feet of single lane driveway and one home site just off Maggie Wachacha Road, in Graham County NC. Contractor must provide all equipment to meet the following minimum sizes: Dozer 20K pound, Excavator 20K pound, Vibratory Roller 8K pound, Dump trucks and smaller equipment as needed, will be included in the proposal. The contractor shall install steel staked, wire backed silt fence under the fill slope of all disturbed areas. Ditch lines shall be Curlex lined with rip rap check dams every ten feet up to 10% slope and full rip rap on any ditches above 10%. All cut and fill slopes will be matted and seeded with seed mixtures specified in the erosion control plan. Driveway must be a minimum of 14 feet wide including a 2 foot ditch line where necessary with an ABC gravel base 12 feet wide and 8 inches deep. All CMP locations, size specifications and installation instructions will be according to the erosion control plan minimum size 18 inches. Contractor shall supply an Erosion Control Plan drawn and sealed by a Licensed and insured Engineer with the fees to be included in the proposal. The Erosion Control Plan must be approved by the Tribal Environmental Department. All brush, stumps and debris must be removed from the site and properly disposed of at the contractor's expense. Contractor shall supply all materials including mating, seeding, erosion control measures plus labor and equipment necessary to complete required work within 30 calendar days and maintain said erosion control measures and work for 120 days after completion of the project. Contractor must provide proof of insurance with the proposal to include: One Million dollars of General Commercial liability insurance as well as State of North Carolina Requirements for Automobile and Workers Compensation insurance, Tribal business license and a W-9. This request for proposals will be awarded according to qualifications and price. The EBCI Housing and Community Development office, working with the Tribal Enrollment Rights Office, has the right to reject any and all submissions based on lack of required qualifications or the bids exceed the funding cap. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HAS THE PIPE DESIGN AND THE 404 PERMIT FOR THE CREEK CROSSING INVOLVED IN THIS PROJ-ECT AND WILL PROVIDE COPIES AT NO COST TO THE CONTRACTOR!

All bid documents must be received as sealed bids at the EBCI Housing Division office at 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719 by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 9th 2015. Selection will be made based on qualifications and price at a sealed bid opening in the conference room in the HCD office at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 12th 2015. Their will be a required site visit at 9AM on Monday January 5th 2015, meet at Painted Bear at Old SanteetlahRoad on the left side of Santeetlah Road, HWY 143, Graham County NC. The work to be performed under this request is subject to Tribal Ordinance 280, Chapter 92 Tribal Business preference law. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given prefer-

Submit proposal in person to: Mark Kephart, Housing Services Manager, EBCI Housing & Community Development Division, 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719. For more information call: 828-557-4397 or Email: markkeph@nc-cherokee.com Deadline for submittal is Friday, January 9th,

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS POLICY & PROCEDURE MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

The Tribe is requesting proposals for Policy & Procedure Management software for use by the Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Division (formerly the Health & Medical program). PHHS is a newly defined division that provides health and human services to Tribal members as well as other area residents. There are currently 17 programs included in PHHS that provide services that range from medical treatment to education and prevention of unnecessary illness and disability.

It is the goal of the PHHS Division to identify a software application that provides EBCI staff with instant access to their program's policies and procedures and allow searches for documents using "key" words. The application should notify those who are required to read specific documents, track who has read them, and provide the ability to design tests or quizzes to determine comprehension of policies. The software should be used to create, review, approve, and archive all policies and procedures. Policy & Procedure templates would be a desirable feature. Email reminders and reports should be available to ensure that everything stays up to date.

- 1. The firm will be responsible for recommending the most effective and efficient software solution.
- 2. Consideration shall be given to the stability of the proposed configuration and the future direction of technology, confirming to the best of their ability that the recommended approach is not short lived.
- 3. Several approaches may exist for delivery of the software Software as a Service (SaaS) or downloaded and installed by EBCI on a self-hosted server.
- 4. The firm must provide a justification for their proposed hardware, product and software solution(s) along with costs therefor.
- 5. The firm is encouraged to present explanations of benefits and merits of their proposed solutions together with any accompanying services, maintenance.

If interested, please contact: Darlene L. Crisp, Business Analyst, EBCI Office of Information Technology, Phone: (828) 359-6802,

Email: darlcris@nc-cherokee.com

Please reference "EBCI Policy & Procedure Management Software" on all correspondences. 1/15

#### **Requests for Qualifications**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians **Economic & Community Development** 

Projects: Cultural District Development Architecture & Engineering The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting qualifications for the completion of the above mentioned project. The deadline for submitting qualifications will be January 8, 2015 at 2:30p.m.

You may request the full RFQ and bid requirements for proposals through the Economic & Community Development Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact E&CD at (828)-359-6700 or dianpant@nc-cherokee.com. 1/8

#### **LEGALS**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-092

### In the Matter of the Estate of

#### Martha Junaluska Taylor

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: February 25, 2015

Truman Taylor, 34 Dave Taylor Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/8pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-080

### In the Matter of the Estate of Chester Wade

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their re-

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed

Date to submit claims: December 26, 2014

Trina J. Stiles, P.O. Box 2125, Chero-

kee, NC 28719. **1/15pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 24-081

### In the Matter of the Estate of Brianna Bradley

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: January 1, 2014 Christopher Murphy, Box 161 Old#4 Rd.,

Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/15pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-076

### In the Matter of the Estate of Jerry Lee Lossiah

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: March 2, 2015

Brittany Lossiah, PO Box 546, Whittier, NC 28789. **1/22pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-096

### In the Matter of the Estate of Robert Hyde

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below

Date to submit claims: March 9, 2015

Maxine Hyde, 4 Cooper Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/21pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-086

## In the Matter of the Estate of Benjamin T. Rose

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: February 16, 2015 Marie Arch Rose, 35 Rose Lane, Cherokee, NC 28719

#### 1/21pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 14-097

## In the Matter of the Estate of Gary Len Sequoyah Sr.

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: March 22, 2015 TsaLiDi Sequoyah, 5000 Clinton Parkway Apt. 1315, Lawrence KS 66047. **1/28pd** 

### Request from Cherokee Tribal Court:

If owed restitution from another individual for a completed court case, come by the clerk's office at the courthouse and fill out a W-9 form (if you didn't do one earlier) so that we can process payment when it becomes available.

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